

SECTION 611 ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURES

611-1 Description.

This Section sets forth Contract acceptance procedures for signalization installations and for equipment purchase contracts.

611-2 Acceptance of Signal Installations.

611-2.1 Partial Acceptance: The Engineer may make inspection for partial acceptance under the Contract in accordance with 5-10 of a complete installation of a signalization control system upon its completion in accordance with the Contract Documents and at such time that other parts of the total Contract are at a stage of completion that either require or allow the installation to operate in a manner which is in accordance with the Contract Documents. Before inspection for partial acceptance, the Engineer will require the satisfactory completion of all field tests of completed installations in accordance with the requirements of 611-4. The Engineer will make inspection for partial acceptance in accordance with 5-10 in company with a Contractor's representative and, when applicable, a representative of the agency designated to accept maintenance responsibility.

611-2.2 Final Acceptance: The Engineer will make inspection for final acceptance of signal installations as part of all work under the Contract in accordance with 5-11, only after satisfactory completion of all field tests of completed installations in accordance with the requirements of 611-4 and on the basis of a comprehensive final field inspection of all traffic signal installations. The Engineer will make the final inspection of all signal installations with a Contractor's representative and, when applicable, a representative of the agency designated to accept maintenance responsibility. Transfer to the Department any guarantees on equipment or materials furnished by the manufacturer and ensure that the manufacturer includes with such guarantees the provision that they are subject to such transfer, and proper validation of such fact. In addition, as a condition precedent to final acceptance in accordance with 5-11, provide a Warranty/Maintenance Bond in accordance with the requirements of 611-5.

611-3 Signal Timing.

Set the timing of a traffic signal or system of traffic control devices in accordance with the Contract Documents, unless approved otherwise in writing by the Engineer.

611-4 Field Tests of Signal Installations.

Perform the following tests on all traffic signal installations in the presence of the Engineer and, when applicable, a representative of the agency designated to accept maintenance responsibility.

Continuity: Test each signal head circuit, pedestrian detector circuit, vehicle detector loop circuit, and interconnect signal circuit for continuity.

Functional: Perform a functional test that demonstrates that each and every part of the signal installation functions as specified.

Induced Voltage: Measure the voltage between each signal head indication field terminal and the AC neutral circuit in the controller cabinet during the off (dark) state of each signal head indication. Ensure that the voltage does not exceed $2 V_{AC, RMS}$. If this value is exceeded, take the following action to reduce the value to $2 V_{AC, RMS}$:

(1) Check for loose or broken connections in the signal head circuit from the controller cabinet to the signal heads.

(2) If (1) above does not correct the problem, connect additional neutral circuits between the signal head and the controller cabinet.

Inductive Loop Assembly: An inductive loop assembly is defined as a loop plus the lead-in cable. Measure and record the series resistance of each inductive loop assembly. Ensure that the resistance does not exceed 10Ω . Perform an insulation resistance megger test, at $500 V_{DC}$, for each inductive loop

assembly at the cabinet in which the inductive loop assembly is terminated. Do not connect the inductive loop assembly to the cabinet terminal strips during the test, except for the drain wire of a shielded lead-in cable. Insulation resistance is defined as the resistance between one wire of the lead-in cable and a ground rod or bussbar. Record the insulation resistance of each inductive loop assembly. Ensure that the resistance is equal to or greater than 100 MΩ.

Perform the 48 hour test only after achieving acceptable results from the other tests listed in 611-4.

Forty-Eight Hour Test:

(a) Before beginning the 48 hour test, place all new signal installations (no existing signals) in flash for 48 to 336 hours. The length of the flash period will be determined by the Engineer.

(b) Continuously operate each new or modified traffic signal installation or system for not less than 48 hours. If unsatisfactory performance of the system develops, correct the condition, and repeat the test until obtaining 48 hours of satisfactory continuous operation.

(c) During the 48 hour test period, the Contractor is fully responsible for the signal or signal systems. Provide a responsible representative (technically qualified) who can monitor signal operation and troubleshoot any malfunctions within a one hour period.

When coordination is specified in the Contract Documents, provide a two hour training session on the operation and programming of the coordination features of the controller units during the 48 hour test. Arrange the time and place of the training session with the Engineer.

(d) Perform a 48 hour test for flashing beacon installations in the same manner as for traffic signal installations.

(e) Start the 48 hour test on a Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday. However, do not start the 48 hour test on the day preceding a holiday.

(f) Start the 48 hour test between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

(g) Before the 48 hour test, install and have standing by all equipment specified in the Contract Documents.

611-5 Contractor's Warranty Period for Signal Installations.

611-5.1 General Requirements: After satisfactory completion of all field tests in accordance with 611-4 and as a condition precedent to final acceptance of all work under the Contract in accordance with 5-11, provide a Warranty/Maintenance Bond for the repair or replacement of any defective components of the signal installations which shall be in effect for a 90 day period after final acceptance in accordance with 5-11. Include the costs of the bond in the costs of other bid items.

In addition to satisfying the provisions of Section 287.0935, Florida Statutes, the bonding company is required to have a A.M. Best rating of "A" or better. If the bonding company drops below the "A" rating during the 90 day Warranty/Maintenance Bond period, provide a new Warranty/Maintenance Bond for the balance of the 90 day period from a bonding company with an "A" or better rating. In such event, all costs of the premium for the new Maintenance Bond will be at the Contractor's expense.

The Warranty/Maintenance Bond shall be written and issued in the amount of the total sums bid for all electrical or electronic equipment furnished and installed as part of any traffic signal installation or system of traffic control devices.

At the end of the 90 day warranty period, the Contractor will be released by the Engineer from further warranty work and responsibility, provided all previous warranty work and remedial work, if any, has been completed satisfactorily.

611-5.2 Contractor's Responsibilities: During the warranty period, the Contractor is responsible for the following:

(a) Repair or replacement of equipment that fails to function properly due to defective materials or workmanship.

(b) Upon notification by the Engineer of a malfunction, restore the equipment to proper operating condition within 12 hours after notification by the Engineer.

If the Contractor fails to restore the equipment to proper operating condition within 12 hours after notification, the Engineer has the authority to have the remedial work performed by other forces. The Contractor is responsible for all incurred costs of the work performed by other forces. Remedial work performed by other forces does not alter any of the requirements, responsibilities or obligations of this warranty.

(c) In the event that the equipment does not function or malfunctions due to defective materials or workmanship, the Contractor is liable for any impairment to the safety of pedestrian and vehicular traffic resulting from such malfunction.

611-5.3 Department's Responsibilities: During the warranty period, the Department is responsible for the following:

- (a) Electrical energy costs which are paid for by the local maintaining agency.
- (b) All adjustments, such as timing, necessary for the normal operations of equipment.
- (c) Documentation of the individuals involved and the time of Contractor notification upon failure or malfunction of equipment.
- (d) Repair or replacement of any part of the installation damaged as a result of natural causes or those resulting from vehicular or pedestrian traffic not associated with Contractor activities.

611-6 Manufacturer's Tests and Certifications.

For materials which may not require formal testing, the Engineer reserves the right to require certifications from the manufacturer of such equipment and material, to the effect that they meet all Specification requirements, and, in the event of questionable equipment or material, to require that such material or equipment be tested at no expense to the Department.

The Engineer reserves the right to withhold any payments which may be due, if the Engineer determines that the equipment does not meet the Specifications or evaluation criteria.

611-7 Contracts for Purchase of Equipment.

611-7.1 Acceptance Tests Required: For each unit of equipment furnished under purchase contracts (furnish only), the Engineer will perform the following tests:

- (a) Visual inspection within five days after delivery.
- (b) Operational tests which determine whether the equipment performs in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Engineer will complete such tests within 15 days after delivery.

611-7.2 Eligibility for Payment:

(a) The Department will base payment for equipment furnished under purchase contracts on satisfactory completion of the visual inspection and operational tests required by 611-7.1.

(b) Before any payment will be made for each functional group, deliver to the Engineer and receive from the Engineer acceptance of all units of each functional group of equipment required to be furnished by the Contract Documents. The Department will make separate payment for a staged delivery of each functional group of equipment only when staged delivery is specified in the Contract Documents.

611-7.3 Equipment Failing to Pass Acceptance Tests:

(a) When any unit of equipment fails to pass the acceptance tests, correct the deficiencies (by repair or replacement), at no expense (including all freight costs) to the Department, to attain compliance. If the original Contract Time has expired, the Department will charge and continue to assess liquidated damages in accordance with 8-10 until final acceptance of the equipment. Upon compliance with such correction requirements, the Engineer will perform tests on the equipment as specified above and will determine their eligibility for payment.

(b) The Department will not assess liquidated damages during the acceptance test period in 611-7.1. The Department will allow only one acceptance test exclusion with regard to liquidated damages assessment per lot of units required to be delivered.

