

3340000 SUPERPAVE ASPHALT CONCRETE  
COMMENTS FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

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1. Throughout the specification, the date on the AASHTO references has been changed from 09 to 12. Usually the date is not included and the most recent method is required. Is it necessary to have the date?

Response: The convention is to show the year for the AASHTO methods but not for the Florida Methods. The reasoning is that sometimes the Department does not specify the latest AASHTO method if a change was made that the Department does not agree with. However, Florida Methods are changed by the Department for a reason and therefore the latest version is always used.

No changes made.

2. For Table 334-4, it state “the mixture gradation meets the basic gradation requirements defined in 334-3.2.2.” This reference does not seem to apply. Is this correct?

Response: Table 334-4 is contained within the subarticle titled "Mix Design Revisions" and the table provides tolerance values for the amount of gradation change allowed per sieve for a mix design revision. In addition to meeting the requirements of Table 334-4, in the text of the subarticle, there is wording that the resulting changed gradation must also still meet the gradation requirements of 334-3.2.2.

No changes are needed.

3. For Tabled 334-5 and 334-6, there are no references on how to calculate the values. These references should be added.

Response: References are contained in the text portion of the specification, which then refers to the table. Putting the references in the table would add too much clutter, in author's opinion.

No changes made.

4. For Table 334-7, it states “determined in accordance with the instructions contained within the Department’s Asphalt Plant Worksheet.” Should there be a URL link to this document?

Response: The State Specifications Office has asked us to remove web links from the specifications to avoid having to change the specifications if the web links change, which occasionally happens.

No changes made.

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