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Monica Gourdine
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545 John Knox Road, Suite 200
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re: Office of Design, Specifications
Section **919**
Proposed Specification: **9190000 Ground Tire Rubber for Use in Asphalt Rubber Binder.**

Dear Ms. Gourdine:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of the above referenced Supplemental Specification.

These changes were proposed by Gregory Sholar, of the State Materials Office, to update the specification for current practice.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via email to SP965TT or trey.tillander@dot.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at 414-4140.

Sincerely,

V. Y. "Trey" Tillander, III, P.E.
State Specifications Engineer

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

**GROUND TIRE RUBBER FOR USE IN ASPHALT RUBBER BINDER.
(REV 11-20-12)**

SECTION 919 (Pages 997 – 998) is deleted and the following substituted:

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FOR USE IN ASPHALT RUBBER BINDER**

919-1 Description.

This Section governs ground tire rubber for use in asphalt rubber binders for use in a variety of paving applications.

919-2 General Requirements.

The ground tire rubber shall be produced from tires. ~~by an ambient grinding method. The entire process or a final separate grinding process shall be at or above ordinary room temperature.~~ The rubber *and* shall be sufficiently dry so as to be free flowing and to prevent foaming when mixed with asphalt cement. The rubber shall be substantially free from contaminants including fabric, metal, mineral, and other non-rubber substances. Up to 4% (by weight of rubber) of talc or other inert dusting agent, may be added to prevent sticking and caking of the particles.

The ground tire rubber used shall be one of the products listed on the Department's Qualified Products List (QPL). Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product shall submit an application in accordance with Section 6.

919-3 Physical Requirements.

The physical properties of the ground tire rubber shall be determined in accordance with FM 5-559, and shall meet the following requirements:

Specific Gravity 1.06 to 1.20

Moisture ContentMaximum 0.75%

Metal ContaminantsMaximum 0.01%

Gradation~~100~~98% *Passing the No. 30 Sieve*—~~The gradation shall meet the limits shown in Table 919-1 for the type of rubber specified.~~

Sieve Size % Passing	Type B	Type C
No. 16	---	100
No. 30	100	70-100
No. 50	40-60	20-40
No. 100	—	—

919-4 Chemical Requirements.

The chemical composition of the ground tire rubber shall be determined in accordance with ASTM D 297-93 and shall meet the following requirements:

Acetone Extract.....	Maximum 25%
Rubber Hydrocarbon Content.....	40 to 55 60%
Ash Content	Maximum 8%
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Natural Rubber.....	16 to 45%

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