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## AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARD A10.17 SAFE OPERATING PRACTICES FOR HOT MIX ASPHALT (HMA) CONSTRUCTION

### 1. GENERAL

**1.1 Scope.** This standard applies to those operations involving hot mix asphalt (bituminous) mixtures and materials for construction and resurfacing. Safe work practices are included for the protection of workers and the public and are to be considered the vital safety requirements for designers, manufacturers and installers of such equipment and materials.

**1.2 Purpose.** The purpose of this standard is to provide safety and health guidelines to protect employees and other persons from injury and illness.

**1.3 Exceptions.** In cases of practical difficulty or undue hardship, the responsible authority may grant exceptions to the literal requirements of this standard or permit the use of other devices or methods, but only when it is clearly evident that personnel and equipment protection is assured.

### 2. TRAFFIC HAZARDS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

**2.1 Vehicular and Pedestrian Traffic.** In the paving operations, interference with pedestrian and vehicular traffic shall be avoided wherever possible and shall be kept to a minimum in time and scope in circumstances where it cannot be avoided. When interference results, a specific written traffic control plan and paving pattern, shall be formulated and implemented.

**2.1.1** In paving operations where ingress and egress roads for all residences and places of business are temporarily closed along the construction route, such roads shall be temporarily closed or alternate routes and controls established to provide protection from injury and damage to the public and their vehicles. All roads closures

shall be coordinated with affected personnel and/or emergency response organizations.

**2.1.2** Equipment, material, and vehicles shall be stored or parked so as not to encroach upon an operational traffic lane. Appropriate flashing lights or reflectors or barricades equipped with appropriate lights or reflectors, for warning the public during the hours of darkness or times of reduced visibility shall be placed adjacent to the outer limits of such material, vehicles or equipment stored or parked immediately adjacent to an operating traffic lane.

**2.1.3** Temporary roadways and bridges required to accommodate traffic flow diverted from the roadway under construction shall be designed to handle expected traffic loads until the roadway under construction is serviceable. These approaches, travelways, and structures shall be maintained until the roadway under construction is completed. Travelways shall be provided with necessary curbs, barriers, guardrails, and road markings to separate the opposing traffic and provide safe traffic movement.

**2.1.4** All footways, gutters, sewers, inlets and portions of other roadway adjoining the roadway under construction shall be free of obstruction and debris.

**2.2 Fire Hydrants.** Fire hydrants on or adjacent to the roadway under construction shall be accessible to fire apparatus at all times. Where it is necessary to place materials or obstructions within 15 feet (4.6m) of any such hydrant, permission shall be obtained from the fire protection agency involved.

**2.3 Railroad Crossing.** Arrangements shall be made with the railroad for the construction, protection, maintenance and removal of any railroad grade crossing.