Index 21210 Conduit Details (Rev. 07/15)

Design Criteria

*NFPA National Electric Code; Structures Detailing Manual (SDM); AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications* and *NCHRP Report 350 or AASHTO Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH)* Test Level 4 Criteria

Design Assumptions and Limitations

This standard can be used for electrical service for highway or navigation lighting and ITS applications.

The details as shown for installing two 2" diameter conduits and associated Embedded Junction Boxes (EJBs) in traffic railings have been determined to be crashworthy in accordance with the requirements of *NCHRP Report 350* and the *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications* for *Design Standards Indexes* 420, 421, 422, 423, 425, 5210 and 5211.

Plan Content Requirements

Coordinate with the highway lighting designer and/or navigation lighting designer as appropriate to determine the present and future electrical service requirements at the project location.

Provide supplemental designs, notes, details, wiring diagrams and wiring specifications in the plans as required to complement this Standard.

In the Structures and/or Retaining Wall Plans:

At locations where conduit exits the bridge or retaining wall and is designated for future use, specify in the plans the termination location and use of either a driven Steel Pipe Marker, as shown in Index 21210, or an in-ground Pull/Splice Box per Index 17700. If a future use conduit termination point is in rubble or other location where identifying the end point may be difficult, the use of Index 17700 is recommended.

When conduit is required in Median Traffic Railings and the Railing does not continue beyond the structure, detail how the conduit exits the structure and connects to the system.

For EJBs located within Traffic Railings, specify in the plans the type of EJBs required: EJB "A" - multiple raceways; EJB "B" - single raceways. Generally, multiple raceway EJBs can be used where services contained within individual raceways (conduits) can share a common Junction Box. Single raceway EJBs should be used where it is desirable or required that services contained within individual raceways (conduits) be isolated from each other.

Specify the type of fittings required at Expansion Joint locations on bridges: Expansion Fittings or Expansion / Deflection Fittings. Generally, Expansion Fittings can be used for
bridges on tangent or large radius curved alignments where little or no transverse movement is expected at the Expansion Joints. Expansion / Deflection Fittings are typically required for bridges on curved alignments or combined curved and tangent alignments where transverse movement is expected at Expansion Joints.

For electrical service, specify the use of THWN or XHHW conductors only.

Payment

Generally the cost of furnishing and installing Conduit, Junction Boxes, Expansion and Expansion / Deflection Fittings and all associated hardware required to complete the installation is included in the cost for the Traffic Railing or Pedestrian Railing (Parapet) that the conduit is installed in.

However, there may be special cases where other arrangements have been made.