

## SECTION 632 SIGNAL AND INTERCONNECT CABLE

### **632-1 Description.**

Install underground and aerial signal and interconnect cable.

### **632-2 Materials.**

Use materials meeting the requirements of Section A632 of the current Minimum Specifications for Traffic Control Signal Devices (MSTCSD), except as provided in 603-2.2.

### **632-3 Installation Requirements.**

**632-3.1 Number of Conductors:** Determine the number of conductors required for each signal and interconnect cable unless specified in the Contract Documents.

Provide two spare conductors within the interconnect cable. Terminate conductors within controller cabinets as specified below.

Provide three spare conductors for each signal cable used at all signal installations. Install the three spare conductors from the controller cabinet through each signal head disconnect hanger to the furthestmost disconnect hanger.

For non-span wire installations, install the three spare conductors from the controller cabinet through each signal to the furthestmost signal.

Ground spare signal cable conductors in the controller cabinet. In the disconnect hanger, terminate spare wires at the terminal strip. Individually cap or tape any additional spares in the disconnect hanger.

Identify all spare conductors in a controller cabinet as spare signal conductors or spare interconnect conductors, and ground them to the controller cabinet ground bus bar. Provide spare conductors within the controller cabinet of sufficient length to reach the furthestmost field wiring terminals in the cabinet.

**632-3.2 Number of Cables:** Do not install more than four separate cables at any point on a single support wire.

**632-3.3 Protection of Cable:** Ensure cable drawn through conduit, ducts, drilled holes protected by a rubber grommet, or support structures is installed in such a manner as to prevent damage to conductors or insulation.

**632-3.4 Cabling for Mast Arm Assembly:** Continuous lengths of cable between the traffic signal controller cabinet, signal heads (or disconnect hangers), pedestrian signal heads and pedestrian detectors will be allowed only when specified in Contract Documents.

Attach strain relief approved by the Engineer to the “J” hook inside the mast arm pole.

**632-3.5 Cable Terminations:** Terminate signal cable in the terminal by inserting the bared conductors into a compression type terminal block and tightening the appropriate screws.

When barrier terminal blocks are specified in the Contract Documents, crimp insulated forks or ring terminals to the bared conductors using a calibrated ratchet-crimping tool and connect the forks or ring terminals to the barrier terminal block by tightening the appropriate screws.

Neatly form and tie wrap all cable terminations.

Ground spare signal cable conductors in the controller cabinet. If disconnect hangers are specified in the Contract Documents, terminate spare wires at the terminal strip

located inside the disconnect hangers. Individually cap or tape any additional spares in the disconnect hanger.

Ensure all cable terminations for a mast arm assembly are terminated in the terminal compartment at the base of the mast arm pole.

#### **632-4 Signal Cable.**

Install underground and aerial signal cable in accordance with the Design Standards, Index No. 17727.

Except for mast arm assemblies, install signal cable in continuous lengths between the traffic signal controller cabinets, disconnect hangers (or signal heads for non-span wire installations), pedestrian signal heads, and pedestrian detectors.

Do not use the neutral return conductor for pedestrian detectors as a neutral return for any other device.

#### **632-5 Interconnect Cable.**

Install underground and aerial interconnect cable in accordance with the Design Standards, Index Nos. 17733 and 17841.

Install aerial interconnect cable in continuous lengths to and between traffic signal controller cabinets and aerial junction boxes.

Except for mast arm assemblies, install underground interconnect cable in continuous lengths to and between traffic signal controller cabinets and above-ground junction boxes.

Install terminations between controller cabinets at above-ground interconnect junction boxes. The Contractor may install terminations at intervals less than shown on the plans; however, the Contractor must provide the above-ground junction box, materials, and labor for these terminations at no expense to the Department. Obtain the Engineer's approval of the location of additional junction boxes.

#### **632-6 Method of Measurement.**

**632-6.1 General:** Measurement for payment will be in accordance with the following work tasks.

**632-6.2 Furnish and Install:** The Contract unit price per intersection for Cable (Signal) and per foot for Cable (Interconnect), furnished and installed, will include furnishing all material, hardware, support wire, cable ties, cable clamps, lashing wire, terminal connectors, cable grounding and labor necessary for a complete and accepted installation.

Payment for Cable (Signal) will be based on the number of intersections at which signal cable is furnished and installed.

Payment for Cable (Interconnect) will be based upon the length installed between cable terminations, as determined by the manufacturer's sequential markings printed on the cable jacket, recorded to the nearest foot.

**632-6.3 Furnish:** The Contract unit price of Cable, furnished, will include the cost of the required cable as specified in the Contract Documents, plus all shipping and handling costs involved in delivery as specified in the Contract Documents.

**632-6.4 Install:** The Contract unit price per intersection for Cable (Signal) and per foot for Cable (Interconnect), installed, will include all labor, cable ties, cable clamps, lashing wire, and cable grounding necessary for a complete and accepted installation. The Engineer will supply all cable.

Payment for Cable (Signal) will be based on the number of intersections at which signal cable is installed.

Payment for Cable (Interconnect) will be based upon the length installed between cable terminations, as determined by the manufacturer's sequential markings printed on the cable jacket, recorded to the nearest foot.

**632-7 Basis of Payment.**

Prices and payments will be full compensation for all work specified in this Section.

Payment will be made under:

Item No. 632- 7- Cable (Signal) - per intersection.

Item No. 632- 8- Cable (Interconnect) - per foot.