

SECTION 347
PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE - CLASS NS

347-1 Description.

The requirements of this Section are applicable to concrete designated as Class NS hereinafter referred to as concrete. Use concrete composed of a mixture of portland cement, aggregates, and water, with or without chemical admixtures, slag, or pozzolan materials. Deliver concrete to placement site in a freshly mixed, unhardened state. Ensure the concrete is placed and cured in a manner to ensure that the strength and durability of the concrete is maintained.

347-2 Materials.

347-2.1 General: Certify that all materials used in concrete are from Department approved sources, and free from frozen or other detrimental matter.

Meet the following requirements:

Portland Cement.....	Section 921
Coarse Aggregate*	Section 901
Fine Aggregate*	Section 902
Water	Section 923
Chemical Admixtures	Section 924
Pozzolans and Slag	Section 929

* Recycled Asphalt Pavement (RAP) may replace up to 20% of the total aggregate in the design mix. Use RAP from a Department approved stockpile.

347-3 Production, Mixing and Delivery.

347-3.1 Concrete Production Requirements: Deliver concrete from a production facility that is certified by the National Ready-Mixed Concrete Association (NRMCA), approved by the District Materials Research Office (DMRO), or that meets the requirements of Section 346.

When Volumetric Mixers are used, deliver concrete in accordance with the requirements of Volumetric Mixer Manufacturers Bureau (VMMB) and ensure that the vehicle has a VMMB registered rating plate.

Substitution of structural concrete in lieu of non-structural concrete may be used if approved by the Engineer. If structural concrete is used in lieu of non-structural concrete, obtain the concrete from a production facility meeting the requirements of Section 346. Acceptance is based on the requirements of Section 347.

The Engineer may disqualify any concrete production facility for non-compliance with Specification requirements.

347-3.2 Delivery: The maximum allowable mixing, agitation, and placement time of concrete is 120 minutes.

347-3.3 Small Quantities of Concrete: With approval of the District Materials Research Engineer, small quantities of concrete, less than 3 cubic yards placed in one day and less than 0.5 cubic yards placed in a single placement may be accepted using a pre-bagged mixture. The Engineer may verify that the pre-bagged mixture is prepared in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and will meet the requirements of this Specification.

347-4 Sampling and Testing.

The Engineer may sample and test the concrete at their discretion to verify its quality. The minimum 28-day compressive strength requirement for this concrete is 2,500 psi.

347-5 Certification and Acceptance.

347-5.1 General: Furnish a Delivery Ticket with each batch of concrete before discharging concrete at the placement site. Record material quantities incorporated into the mix, sources of material, batch adjustments or substituted material on the Delivery Ticket. Ensure that the Batchers responsible for producing the concrete certifies that the batch was produced in accordance with the Contract Documents signs the Delivery Ticket. The Contractor will also sign the Delivery Ticket certifying that the concrete was placed in accordance with the Contract Documents.

Acceptance by the Department will be by Certification on the Delivery Ticket signed by the Batchers and the Contractor.

Delineate and replace, at no cost to the Department, all concrete that does not meet the 28-day compressive strength requirements or has any cracking greater than 1/4 inch in vertical displacement. Any spalling or flaking off of the surface layer that exposes the rough, pitted aggregate surface in excess of 10 square inches is to be removed and replaced in accordance with 347-5.2. Sidewalk, ditch pavement, slope pavement, Traffic Separator, or curb and gutter having any intersecting cracks visible in the dry concrete (regardless of size) will be removed and replaced in accordance with 347-5.2.

If any uncontrolled cracks appear during the life of the Contract unacceptable to the Engineer, remove and replace the concrete in accordance with 347-5.2 at no expense to the Department.

347-5.2 Remedial Action: Remedial action will be the removal and replacement of all concrete to the full depth and width.