

## ORIGINATION FORM

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(The person who receives or originates the issue and needs to forward the issue for action.)

Modify Specification 711.  
Section/File number

New Section \_\_\_\_\_.  
Section number

**Subject:** Thermoplastic Traffic Stripes and Markings - Retroreflectivity

**Origination date:** July 8, 2003

**Originator:** Chester Henson  
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**Problem statement:** Industry standard method of measurement of retroreflectivity has changed from 15 meter geometry to 30 meter geometry.

**Information source:** Input was provided from materials lab, construction and maintenance.

**Background data:** Materials Lab, construction and maintenance currently have the equipment to measure retroreflectivity using the new 30 meter geometry.

**Recommended  
usage note:**

**Desired  
implementation  
date:** **Beginning with the July 2005 letting.**



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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** September 24, 2004

**TO:** Specification Review Distribution List

**FROM:** Duane F. Brautigam, P.E., State Specifications Engineer

**SUBJECT: Proposed Specifications Change: 7110045 - Thermoplastic Traffic Stripes and Markings-Retroreflectivity**

In accordance with Specification Development Procedures, we are sending you a copy of a proposed specification change to Section 711.

This change was proposed by Chester Henson of the State Roadway Design Office to specify the use of an approved 30 meter geometry instrument for measuring retroreflectivity.

Please share this proposal with others within your responsibility. Review comments are due within four weeks and should be sent to Mail Station 75 or to my attention via e-mail at SP965DB or duane.brautigam@dot.state.fl.us. Comments received after October 22, 2004 may not be considered. Your input is encouraged.

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COMMENTS:

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**THERMOPLASTIC TRAFFIC STRIPES AND MARKINGS-  
RETROREFLECTIVITY.  
(REV 9-14-04)**

SUBARTICLE 711-4.5 (Page 755) is deleted and the following substituted:

**711-4.5 Retroreflectivity:** Apply white and yellow pavement markings that will attain an initial retroreflectance of not less than 300 mcd/lx·m<sup>2</sup> and not less than 250 mcd/lx·m<sup>2</sup>, respectively. *Use an approved 30-meter geometry instrument for measuring retroreflectivity.* ~~Ensure that the intermittent and final retroreflectance of white and yellow pavement markings are not less than 150 mcd/lx·m<sup>2</sup>.~~ This does not apply to transverse lines, bike lane symbols and longitudinal lines adjacent to or in a proposed bike lane.