Topic No.: 675-000-000 Materials Manual Concrete Production

# Section 9.3 Volume II

## **CONCRETE PAVEMENT PRODUCTION FACILITIES GUIDE**

#### 9.3.6 CONCRETE PRODUCERS ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

### 9.3.6.1 Material Requirements

Meet the requirements of **FDOT Specifications Section 350**, including the following:

#### 9.3.6.1.1 Cementitious Materials

Acceptance of the cementitious materials at the Plant shall be based upon the delivery ticket and mill certificate. As a check on current quality, samples may be obtained and tested by the Producer or the Department.

Each brand or type of <u>Clearly label and store each</u> cementitious material shall be stored in a separate and clearly labeled weatherproof <u>facilitystorage</u> <u>container</u>. <u>Provide suitable, safe, and convenient means of collecting cementitious material samples.</u>

Measure the cementitious materials by mass within an accuracy of 1 percent of the required total amount. For concrete batches of 3 cubic yards or less, an accuracy of 2 percent is allowed. Weigh the cementitious materials separately from other materials. When weighing the cementitious materials in a cumulative weigh hopper, weigh the cement first.

#### 9.3.7 DESIGN MIXES

Design mixes shall meet the requirements of **Specifications Section 346.** 

Follow **ACI 301** Section 4, and **ACI 211** as guidelines to design the concrete mixes. Design a concrete mix to provide a required compressive strength  $(f_{cr})$  that exceed the specified strength  $(f_{cr})$  by overdesign value.

$$f_{cr}' = f_{c}' + Overdesign$$

The concrete producer shall submit design mix verification requests directly to the DMRO in the District where the design mix will be verified. If a design mix is to be verified at a location that is out-of-state, submit the design mix

Effective: May 22, 2019

Revised: May 29, 2020

Topic No.: 675-000-000 Materials Manual Concrete Production

design to the DMRE closest to that location.

Ensure that the preparation and testing of the trial mixes is performed by a laboratory that is inspected and meets the requirements of ASTM C1077. Personnel performing plastic or hardened concrete testing shall be qualified as described in **Specifications Section 105**.

Effective: May 22, 2019

Revised: May 29, 2020

Make a separate submittal for each combination of component materials to be used at a trial mix concrete temperature of 68°F to 86°F, or for hot weather mixes at a minimum concrete temperature of 94°F. Concrete pavement slab replacement mixes do not require hot weather verification for mix design approval. Use only design mixes approved by the SMO for Department use. Ensure that the 28-day strength (or strength at any other designated age) of all trial mixes meets the overdesign requirement, of 1,200 psi.