

Specification Section 710

Subarticle 710-4

ORIGINATION

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COMMENTARY

Island noses do not receive MOT paint applications – A misconception exists, because the curb is constructed first and they are sometimes painted before the friction course is laid, and they oftentimes need repainting by the time final lift comes around. Technically, this is wrong. The Specifications already require the contractor to protect all markings and repair damage at no cost to the Dept. So, regardless of WHEN it is painted, it should still be considered Final Surface, as it is the permanent "lift" of paint (incumbent upon the contractor to protector maintain those markings). Including island nose in LS and removing the existing pay item will help reinforce this and avoid potential duplicative payments for multiple applications.

INDUSTRY COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

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Name: Raul Alessandri

Date: 5-15-2025

COMMENT: Will this change eliminate the possibility of painting the island nose as a standalone task, i.e. apart from Final Surface? Restoring island nose treatment is often done in pushbutton tasks without any resurfacing or Final Surface striping.

RESPONSE:

Thanks for your comment. No, this change will not eliminate that possibility – a separate maintenance-type pay item will be created for standalone work that is unrelated to the Final Surface application during Construction.

ACTION TAKEN:

None.

Name: John Simms

Date: 5-30-2025

COMMENT: I just want to point out that the comment below is misleading. The department will now be paying for 2 or possible 3 applications even if we only need to install 1. I don't expect the industry is going to plan on and bid only 1 application knowing the Department is going to have us install a second now that it is lump sum. What financial impact does the change have; project costs, pay item structure, or consultant fees? May slightly reduce project costs; Including island nose in Final Surface LS and removing the existing pay item will potentially help avoid payments for improper paint applications

RESPONSE:

Thanks for your comment. The intent of this change is to *eliminate* the possibility of paying for two or three applications – as it stands now, the island noses are potentially being paid for several times under the standalone pay item - Per Specifications and intent, the nose paint is on the “Final Surface” of the island, and should be treated the same as the other Final Surface markings (i.e., as a single application that is to be protected, or repainted at no expense to the Department). Removing the standalone pay item and including that work in the Final Surface LS item is meant to reinforce that concept and help enforce compliance with the existing requirements.

ACTION TAKEN:

None