

Specification Section 711

Subarticle 711-2

ORIGINATION

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COMMENTARY

We are removing the lane-line restriction for contrast in the FDM and Standard Plans. In anticipation of those changes, we need to make provision in the Specifications for mixed-material contrast markings placed with standard thermo.

INDUSTRY COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

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COMMENT: It appears that these proposed changes make the contrast black paint incidental to the thermoplastic. We believe that the contrast black paint should have its own pay item. Applying this paint is not incidental as it requires significant cost to apply. By making this incidental to the thermoplastic, the pavement marking contractors run the risk of missing a note in the plans that call for the contrast paint.

RESPONSE: Thanks for your comment.

The contrast markings will not be incidental – new pay items have been drafted for thermoplastic w/contrast to supplement the existing pay items (w/o contrast), and they will become available upon successful implementation of this specification change.

ACTION TAKEN: None