Modified Special Provision (MSP) Approval Process

Overview

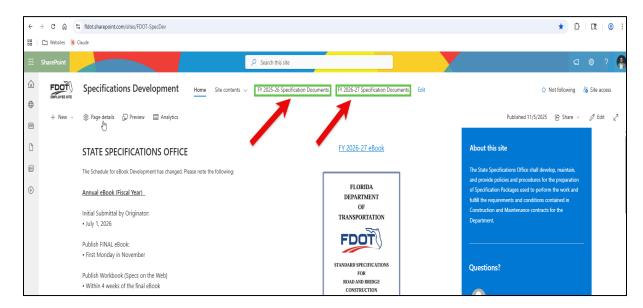
When the Engineer of Record (EOR) determines that a Modified Special Provision (MSP) is necessary for a project, the following steps must be completed to obtain approval from the Department's Specifications Office in Central Office.

Step 1: Download the Appropriate Specification

Obtain the correct document from the District Specifications Office. The District will download a clean copy of the specification appropriate for your project cycle from the Specifications Office SharePoint site:

SharePoint Link: https://fldot.sharepoint.com/sites/FDOT-SpecDev

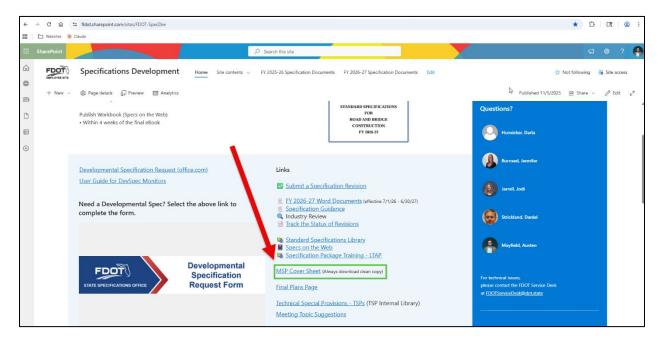
Navigate to the specifications section and select the correct specification version that corresponds to your project cycle.



Step 2: Download the MSP Cover Sheet

Obtain the MSP Cover Sheet from the District Specifications Office. The District will download a clean copy of the MSP Cover Sheet from the Specifications Office SharePoint site.

The cover sheet template is available in the same SharePoint location and includes pre-formatted styles for proper MSP documentation.



Step 3: Complete the MSP Using Proper Formatting

Using the MSP Cover Sheet template, complete the specification language with the following requirements:

Formatting Requirements

- Use Pre-Applied Styles: Apply the proper styles that are included in the MSP Cover Sheet template
- Track All Changes: Enable Track Changes and document all modifications to the original specification language
- Follow Style Guidelines: Reference the style ribbon on the right side of the document for proper formatting

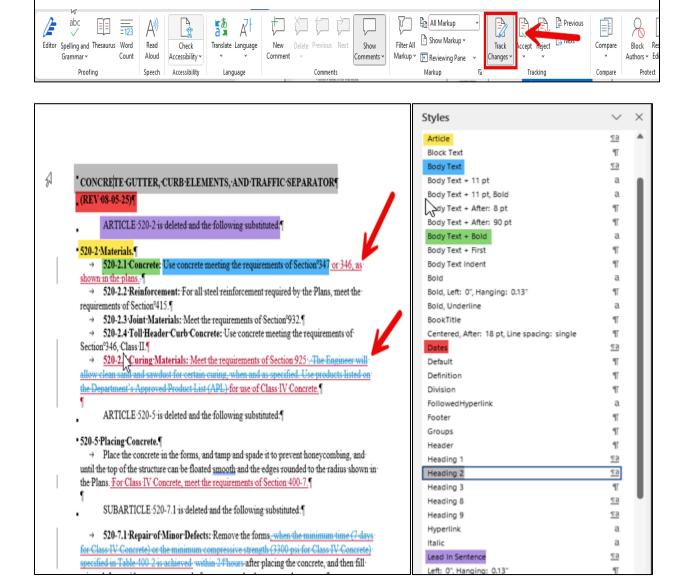
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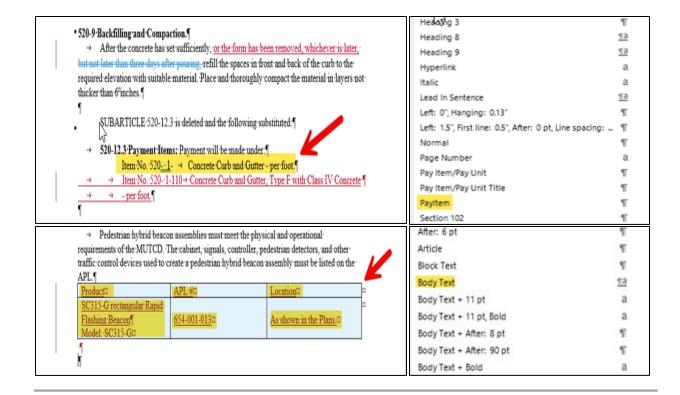
The following style categories should be used (color-coded in the template):

• Title – Heading 2

- Revision Date Dates
- Lead in sentence Lead in sentence
- Article Article
- Subarticle Body text + Bold
- Normal Specification Language Body Text
- Pay Items Pay Items

Note: Examples of properly formatted MSPs are provided in the cover sheet template for reference.





Step 4: Submit for Review and Approval

Submission Process

- 1. Submit the completed MSP to the District Office
- 2. The District Office forwards the MSP to Central Office for technical review
- 3. Technical experts review the submission (typically 1-2 weeks)

Possible Outcomes

Approval: The State Specifications Engineer approves the MSP and returns it to the District Office

Revision Required: Comments from technical experts are returned to the District Office, and the EOR must make necessary corrections before resubmitting for approval

Important Reminders

- Always start with a clean specification copy for each project cycle
- Ensure Track Changes is enabled before making any modifications
- Follow the style guide provided in the MSP Cover Sheet

Allow adequate time for the 1-2 week review process when planning project schedules For questions or additional guidance, contact the Specifications Office in Central Office.					