

Origination Form

Specifications

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Summary:

Error in Plan Quantity which causes a change in the amount payable of more than \$5,000 is being increased to a \$10,000 threshold.

Justification:

The threshold of \$5000 has been in place since 1994. This change is being made in coordination with Program Management and the State Construction Office and in consideration of the inflation rate from 1994 to 2024 (\$10,600).

Do the changes affect other types of specifications?

Neither

List Specifications Affected:

Other Affected Documents/Offices	Contacted	Yes/No
Other Standard Plans		No
Florida Design Manual		No
Structures Manual		No
Basis of Estimates Manual		No
Approved Product List		No
Construction Office	Tim Lattner and Olivia Townsend	Yes
Maintenance Office		No
Materials Manual		No
Traffic Engineering Manual		No

Are changes in line with promoting and making progress on improving safety, enhancing mobility, inspiring innovation, and fostering talent; explain how?

The revision to Specification 9-3 provides ensures consistency in carrying out Department of Transportation policies and helps ensure that all construction contracts are successfully administered on a fair and equal basis while ensuring quality outcomes.

What financial impact does the change have; project costs, pay item structure, or consultant fees?

A change in plan quantity which causes a change in the amount payable of \$5000 is being increased to \$10,000 (impact of \$5000).

What impact does the change have on production or construction schedules?

No impact

How does this change improve efficiency or quality?

This change considers inflation rates since 1994 which improves the quality of our Specifications and enhances consistency in project costs.

Which FDOT offices does the change impact?

Office of Construction and District Construction Offices

What is the impact to districts with this change?

District Construction Offices will need to ensure internal and external Department Staff are aware of this change.

Does the change shift risk and to who?

There is no shift in risk.

Provide summary and resolution of any outstanding comments from the districts or industry.

Comments and Responses are available on the Track the Status of Revisions hyperlink located on the Specifications landing page: <https://www.fdot.gov/programmanagement/Specs.shtm>

What is the communication plan?

Through the established specification revision process (e.g., Internal and Industry Review)

What is the schedule for implementation?

The Standard Specifications eBook and Workbook are effective July 1st every year.

MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT
(REV 6-27-24)

SUBARTICLE 9-3.2.1 is deleted and the following substituted:

9-3.2 Payment Based on Plan Quantity:

9-3.2.1 Error in Plan Quantity: As used in this Article, the term “substantial error” is defined as the smaller of (1) or (2) below:

1. a difference between the original plan quantity and final quantity of more than 5%,
2. a change in quantity which causes a change in the amount payable of more than \$~~10~~5,000.

On multiple job Contracts, changes made to an individual pay item due to substantial errors will be based on the entire Contract quantity for that pay item.

Where the pay quantity for any item is designated to be the original plan quantity, the Department will revise such quantity only in the event that the Department determines it is in substantial error. In general, the Department will determine such revisions by final measurement, plan calculations, or both, as additions to or deductions from plan quantities.

In the event that either the Department or the Contractor contends that the plan quantity for any item is in error and additional or less compensation is thereby due, the claimant shall submit, at their own expense, evidence of such in the form of acceptable and verifiable measurements or calculations. The Department will not revise the plan quantity solely on the basis of a particular method of construction that the Contractor selects. For earthwork items, the claimant must note any differences in the existing surfaces from that shown in the Plans that would result in a substantial error to the plan quantity, and must be properly documented by appropriate verifiable level notes, acceptable to both the Contractor and the Department, prior to disturbance of the existing surface by construction operations. The claimant shall support any claim based upon a substantial error for differences in the existing surface by documentation as provided above.