

Section 02714

FLEXIBLE BASE COURSE FOR TEMPORARY ROADS,
DETOURS, SHOULDERS, AND DRIVEWAYS

PART 1 GENERAL

1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Foundation course of crushed concrete or stone.

1.02 UNIT PRICES

- A. Measurement for flexible base is on a square yard basis. Separate measurement will be made for each different required thickness of base course.
- B. Refer to Section 01290 - Payment Procedures for unit price procedures.

1.03 REFERENCES

- A. ASTM C 131 - Standard Test Method for Resistance to Degradation of Small-Size Course Aggregate by Abrasion and Impact in the Los Angeles Machine.
- B. ASTM D 1556 - Density of Soil in Place by the Sand-Cone Method.
- C. ASTM D 1557 - Moisture-Density Relations of Soils and Soil-Aggregate Mixture Using 10 lb Rammer and 18" Drop.
- D. ASTM D 2922 - Test Methods for Density of Soil and Soil-Aggregate in Place by Nuclear Methods (Shallow Depth).
- E. ASTM D 361 - Test Method for Water Content of Soils and Rock in Place by Nuclear Methods (shallow depth).
- F. ASTM D 3017 - Test Method for Water Content of Soils and Rock in Place by Nuclear Methods.
- G. ASTM D 4318 - Test Method for Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index of Soils.
- H. TxDOT Tex-101-E - Preparation of Soil and Flexible Base Materials for Testing.
- I. TxDOT Tex-110-E - Determination of Particle Size Analysis of Soils.

1.04 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submittals shall conform to requirements of Section 01330 - Submittals Procedures.
- B. Submit samples of flexible base course and soil binder for testing.

1.05 TESTS

- A. Tests and analysis of soil materials will be performed in accordance with ASTM C 131, ASTM D 1557, ASTM D 4318, Tex-101-E, and Tex-110-E under provisions of Section 01454 - Testing Laboratory Services.

1.06 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Provide materials from stockpiles that are protected during storage from contaminants that would be detrimental to the flexible base course.
- B. Load materials from same area of stockpile to maintain uniformity of each successive delivery to the project site.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.01 MATERIALS

- A. Crushed Stone or Concrete: Material retained on the No. 40 sieve meeting the following requirements:
 - 1. Durable particles of crusher-run broken limestone, crushed concrete, crushed sandstone, or granite obtained from an approved source.
 - 2. Los Angeles abrasion test percent of wear not to exceed 42 when tested in accordance with ASTM C 131.
- B. Soil Binder: Material passing the No. 40 sieve meeting the following requirements when tested in accordance with ASTM D 4318:
 - 1. Maximum Liquid Limit: 40
 - 2. Maximum Plasticity Index: 12
 - 3. Maximum Lineal Shrinkage: 7 (when calculated from volumetric shrinkage at liquid limit).
- C. Mixed Materials shall meet the following requirements:

1. Minimum compressive strength of 35 psi at 0 psi lateral pressure and 175 psi at 15 psi lateral pressure using triaxial testing procedures.
2. Grading in accordance with Tex-101-E and Tex-110-E within the following limits:

Sieve	Percent Retained
1-3/4 inch	0 to 10
No. 4	45 to 75
No. 40	60 to 85

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.01 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify compacted sub grade is ready to support imposed loads.
- B. Verify lines and grades are correct.

3.02 PREPARATION

- A. Complete backfill of new utilities below future grade.
- B. Prepare sub grade in accordance with requirements of Section 02230 - Embankment and Section 02315 - Roadway Excavation or Sections 02336 - Lime Stabilized Sub grade and 02337 - Lime/Fly-ash Stabilized Sub grade.
- C. Correct sub grade deviations in excess of plus or minus 1/2 inch in cross section, or in 16 foot length by loosening, adding or removing material, reshaping and recompacting by sprinkling and rolling.
- D. Prepare sufficient sub grade in advance of base course operations.

3.03 PLACEMENT

- A. Spread and shape in lifts to compacted thickness not to exceed 6 inches in depth. Complete spreading, shaping, and compacting on same day material is deposited.
- B. Place base so that projecting reinforcing steel from curbs remain at approximate center of base. Secure a firm bond between reinforcement and base.
- C. Start rolling operations as soon as possible after placement. Use sheepfoot, steel, or

pneumatic rollers as approved. Roll longitudinally with sub grade starting from sides. Overlap successive strips by one-half width of each rear wheel.

- D. Maintain moisture between optimum and 3 percent above optimum moisture.
- E. Compact to 90 percent of Modified Proctor density in accordance with ASTM D 1557, unless otherwise indicated on the Drawings.
- F. Finish to grade and compact lift before placing successive lift.
- G. Maintain shape by grading throughout operation.
- H. Provide total thickness indicated on Drawings.

3.04 TOLERANCES

- A. Completed surface shall be smooth and conform to typical section and established lines and grades.
- B. Top surface of embankment: Plus or minus 1/4 inch in cross section, or in 16-foot length.

3.05 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Testing will be performed under provisions of Section 01454 - Testing Laboratory Services.
- B. A minimum of one core will be taken at random locations per 1,000 linear feet per lane of roadway or 500 square yards of base to determine in-place depth.
- C. Contractor may, at his own expense, request additional cores in the vicinity of cores indicating nonconforming in-place depths. If the average of the tests falls below the required depth, place and compact additional material at no additional cost to the City.
- D. Compaction Testing will be performed in accordance with ASTM D 1556 or ASTM D 2922 and ASTM 3017 at a random location near each depth determination core. Rework and recompact areas that do not conform to compaction requirements.
- E. Fill cores and density test sections with new compacted flexible base.

3.06 PROTECTION

- A. Sprinkle to prevent excessive loss of moisture.
- B. Restrict construction traffic on finished base to equipment required to complete the work.

END OF SECTION

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD BE CHECKED FOR COORDINATION DURING DESIGN:

- A. Coordinate this specification with other related specifications including the following related Sections.

RELATED SECTIONS

Section 02221 - Embankment: Prepare site for foundation course

Section 02225 - Roadway Excavation: Prepare site for foundation course

Section 02227 - Excavation, Trenching, Fill, and Backfill for Utilities

Sections 02241 and 02246 - Subgrades: Prepare subgrade for foundation course

END OF NOTES