

DMS-8620, Flagger Stop/Slow Paddles

Overview

Effective Date: May 2003 – July 2004

This Specification governs for the materials, composition, quality, sampling, and testing of flagger stop/slow paddles.

Bidders' and Suppliers' Requirements

Before any material is considered, it must be of design and shape, which is approved by the Director of the Materials and Pavements Section of the Construction Division (CST/M&P).

Payment

Procurement by the State

Payment for all materials governed by this Specification will be in conformance with provisions of the purchase order awarded by the State.

Contracts

All materials governed by this Specification utilized by the Contractors must be paid for in conformance with the applicable Contract item.

Sampling and Testing

Costs of sampling and testing are normally borne by the Department; however, the costs to sample and test materials failing to conform to the requirements of this Specification are borne by the Contractor or supplier. This cost will be assessed at the rate established by the Director of CST/M&P and in effect at the time of testing.

Amounts due the Department will be deducted from monthly or final estimates on Contracts or from partial or final payments on direct purchases by the State.

A minimum of 1 unit per lot may be sampled for testing.

Material Requirements

Provide paddles meeting all the requirements listed in the *Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* for stop/slow double-sided signs and all the requirements listed below.

Requirement Specifics

- ◆ Sign Face Size
 - 610 mm by 610 mm (24 in. by 24 in.) minimum
- ◆ Sign Face Shape
 - Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) standard octagonal shape used for stop signs
- ◆ Sign Face Color
 - Stop sign: red field, white letters and border
 - Slow sign: orange field, black letters and border
 - All colors meeting color requirement listed in "DMS-8300, Flat Surface Reflective Sheeting," for Type C Sheeting (high-specific intensity).
- ◆ Sheeting Type
 - Type C sheeting (high-specific intensity) meeting "DMS-8300, Flat Surface Reflective Sheeting."
- ◆ Letters
 - Stop sign: 203 mm (8 in.) series C
 - Slow sign: 203 mm (8 in.) series B.
- ◆ Staff
 - Designed to telescope from 1372 mm to 2388 mm (54 in. to 94 in.) (it must include an easy to use, screw-type compression coupling for staff adjustment).
 - Bottom or base of the staff to not slip from the pavement and including a short rubber boot attached to the shaft.
 - Sign panel and staff designed for easy re-assembly using simple hand tools.
- ◆ Weight
 - Complete unit weight not to exceed 4.5 kg (10 lb.).
- ◆ Sign faces
 - fabricated from a light, rigid, durable material
 - will not warp due to use or outdoor exposure
 - will maintain sufficient rigidity during use to be functional
 - use a durable storage bag designed to protect sign faces when not in use.

Archived Versions

Archived versions of "DMS-8620, Flagger Stop/Slow Paddles" are available through the following links:

- ◆ Click on [8620-0898](#) for the specification effective August 1998 through April 2003.