# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STATE OF GEORGIA

# SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATION

Add the following:

# Section 658—Polyurea Traffic Stripe

## 658.1 General Description

This work includes furnishing and applying reflectorized traffic line paint according to the Plans and these Specifications.

This Item also includes applying words and symbols according to Plan details, Specifications, and the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

## 658.1.01 Definitions

Painted Stripes: Solid or broken (skip) lines. The location and color are designated on the Plans.

Skip Traffic Stripes: Painted segments between unpainted gaps on a designated sequence with a ratio of 1:3 [10 ft (3 m) segment and 30 ft (9 m) gap] as specified on the Plans. The location and color are designated on the Plans.

## 658.1.02 Related References

#### A. Standard Specifications

General Provisions 101 through 150.

Section 656—Removal of Pavement Markings

Section 870-Paint

**B.** Referenced Documents

<u>QPL 46</u> AASHTO M 247 ACI Method 503 ASTM C 4060 ASTM D 711 ASTM D 1155 ASTM D 1213 ASTM D 4061 ASTM D 6359 ASTM E 303 ASTM E 1710 ASTM G 154 Federal Standard No. 595A-17778

## 658.2 Materials

## A. General Requirements

- Use polyurea material that has been evaluated (2 year field evaluation) by the National Transportation Product Evaluation Panel (NTPEP) test facility or other approved test facility.
- Use polyurea material produced from an approved source listed on <u>QPL 46</u>.
- Use a polyurea composition that is specifically formulated for use as a durable pavement marking material and for application at elevated temperatures not exceeding 170 °F (77 °C).
- Ensure the liquid markings consist of a two-component (Part A and Part B), 100% solids polyurea film formulated and designed to provide a simple volumetric mixing ratio as recommended by the manufacturer.
- Use white or yellow films for the markings. Ensure that these films are manufactured without the use of lead chromate pigments or other similar, lead-containing chemicals.
- Ensure that the white polyurea contains not less than 13% by weight rutile titanium dioxide pigment to insure adequate opacity, hiding power, and reflective properties.

## B. Glass Beads and Ceramic Reflective Elements

Use glass beads and/or ceramic reflective elements for the reflective media system that ensures the polyurea pavement markings meet the reflectance performance requirements in <u>Subsection 658.2.C.2</u>.

## C. Finished Product Requirements:

1. Composition

Ensure that the retroreflective pavement markings consist of a mixture of high-quality resins, curing agent and pigments, with a reflective layer bonded to the top surface consisting of glass beads.

2. Reflectance

When applied according to the manufacturer's recommendations, ensure that the white and yellow markings have the average initial and 12 months retroreflectance values shown in the tables below, as measured in accordance with the testing procedures of ASTM D4061 or ASTM E 1710.

An observation angle of  $1.05^{\circ}$  and an entrance angle of  $88.8^{\circ}$  corresponds to 30 meter geometry. The photometric quantity to be measured is the coefficient of retroreflected luminance ( $R_L$ ) and is expressed as millicandelas per square foot per foot-candle [(mcd•ft<sup>-2</sup>)•fc<sup>-1</sup>]. The metric equivalent is expressed as millicandelas per square meter per lux [(mcd•ft<sup>-2</sup>)•lx<sup>-1</sup>].

Determine the intitial and 12 months retroreflectance of a single installation according to the measurement and sampling procedures outlined in ASTM D 6359, using a 30-meter retroreflectometer.

Average Minimum Initial Reflectance			
	White	Yellow	
Entrance Angle	88.8°	88.8°	
Observation Angle	1.05°	1.05°	
Retroreflected Luminance $R_L [(mcd \cdot ft^{-2}) \cdot fc^{-1}]$	600	400	

Measure initial performance of pavement markings within 7 days after application.

Average Minimum Reflectance at 12 Months			
	White	Yellow	
Entrance Angle	88.8°	88.8°	
Observation Angle	1.05°	1.05°	
Retroreflected Luminance $R_L [(mcd \cdot ft^{-2}) \cdot fc^{-1}]$	400	250	

3. Color

Meet these color requirements:

- White markings are pure white and free from dirt or tint.
- Yellow markings are "Federal Yellow" in color.
- The material does not change its color and brightness characteristics after prolonged exposure to sunlight.
- 4. Skid Resistance

Ensure the surface of the retroreflective marking provides an initial average skid resistance value of 45 BPN when tested according to ASTM E303.

5. Color and Weathering Resistance

Ensure that the mixed polyurea compound, both white and yellow, when applied to 3 in (75 mm) x 6in (150 mm) aluminum panels at  $15 \pm 1$  mils (0.381 mm  $\pm$  0.025 mm)wet thickness without glass beads and exposed in a Q.U.V. Environmental Testing Chamber, as described in ASTM G-53-77, conforms to the following minimum requirements:

- The color of the white polyurea compound is not darker than Federal Standard No. 595A-17778.
- The color of the yellow polyurea compound meets the requirements of the "Federal Yellow" color chart.
- 6. Drying Time (Laboratory)

When tested in accordance with ASTM D-711 the polyurea marking material shall reach a no-pick-up condition in 10 minutes or less. Perform this test with ASHTO M247 Type 1 beads applied at a rate of 0.099 pounds per square foot (0.483 kg/m<sup>2</sup>). Ensure that the drying time does not increase substantially with decreasing temperature.

7. Drying Time (Field)

When installed at 77 °F (25 °C), at a wet film thickness of  $20 \pm 2$  mils (0.508 mm  $\pm$  0.051 mm) and reflectorized with glass beadsand/or ceramic reflective elements, ensure that the polyurea markings reaches a no-track condition in less than 10 minutes. Dry to "no-tracking" will be considered as the condition where no visual deposition of the polyurea marking to the pavement surface is observed when viewed from a distance of 50 feet (15 m), after a traveling vehicle's tires have passed over the marking.

8. Abrasion Resistance

Ensure that the wear index of the polyurea compound does not exceed 0.00026 lbs (120 mg) when tested in accordance with ASTM C4060 using a CS-17 wheel and under a load of 2.2 lbs (1000 g) for 1000 cycles.

9. Adhesion to Concrete

Ensure that the polyurea pavement marking materials, when tested according to ACI Method 503, have such a high degree of adhesion to the specified concrete surface that there is a 100% concrete failure in the performance of this test. Condition the prepared specimens at room temperature 75 °  $\pm$  2 °F (24 °C) for a minimum of 24 hours and maximum of 72 hours prior to the performance of this test.

10. Adhesion to Asphalt

Ensure that the polyurea pavement marking materials, when tested according to ACI Method 503, have such a high degree of adhesion to the specified asphalt surface that there is a 100% asphalt failure in the performance of this test. Condition the prepared specimens at room temperature 75 °  $\pm$  2 °F (24 °C) for a minimum of 24 hours and maximum of 72 hours prior to the performance of this test.

# 658.3 Construction Requirements

## 658.3.01 Equipment

## A. Traveling Traffic Stripe Painter

To apply the traffic marking material, use a mobile, truck mounted and self contained pavement marking machine, specifically designed to apply two-component liquid materials, and glass beads, in a continuous and skip-line pattern.

Apply the two-component liquid materials through airless impingement mixing guns. The guns must accommodate a plural component material system at the manufacturer's recommended volumetric mixing ratio.

The guns must have the capacity to deliver materials from approximately 1.5 (5.7 L) to 3 gal (11.4 L) per minute to compensate for a typical range of application speeds of 3 mph (5 km/h) to 6 mph (10 km/h). Ensure that the machine travels at a uniform rate of speed both uphill and downhill.

Select the necessary accessories such as spray tip, mix chamber or static tube, and rod diameter to ensure proper mixing.

Ensure that the machine meets the following:

- The machine is capable of applying three separate stripes, either solid or skip, in any specified pattern by utilizing three adjacent spray nozzles at the same time.
- Each nozzle is equipped with satisfactory cutoff valves that will apply skip lines automatically.
- The application equipment is maneuverable to the extent that straight lines can be followed and normal curves can be made in a true arc.
- The truck-mounted unit is provided with accessories to allow for the marking of symbols and legends.

Ensure that the mobile applicator also includes the following features:

- The mobile applicator provides individual material reservoirs for the storage of Part A and Part B of the resin composition.
- The applicator is equipped with heating equipment of sufficient capacity to maintain the individual resin components at the manufacturer's recommended temperature for spray application.
- The applicator is equipped with separate temperature controls for each component.
- The applicator is equipped with glass bead dispensing equipment and capable of applying the glass beads at a uniform rate.
- The application equipment is equipped with metering devices or pressure gauges on the proportioning pumps as well as stroke counters to monitor volumetric usage. Ensure that the metering devices or pressure gauges and stroke counters are visible.
- The applicator is equipped with all the necessary spray equipment, mixers, compressors, and other appurtenances to allow for the placement of reflectorized pavement markings in a simultaneous sequence of operations.

## **B.** Cleaning Equipment

Use brushes, brooms, scrapers, grinders, high-pressure water jets, or air blasters to remove dirt, dust, grease, oil, and other foreign matter from painting surfaces without damaging the underlying pavement.

## 658.3.02 Preparation

Before painting, thoroughly clean pavement surfaces of dust, dirt, grease, oil, and all other foreign matter.

Remove concrete curing compounds on new Portland cement concrete surfaces and existing pavement markings on both concrete and asphalt surfaces.

#### 658.3.03 Construction

#### A. Atmospheric Conditions

Apply pavement markings only during conditions of dry weather and subsequently dry pavement surfaces. Ensure that the pavement surface temperature and the ambient temperature at the time of installation are both greater than  $40 \,^{\circ}\text{F}$  (4  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and that the relative humidity is not greater than 85%.

#### B. Alignment

Ensure that the traffic stripe is the specified length, width, and placement. On sections where no previously applied markings are present, ensure accurate stripe location by establishing control points at spaced intervals. The Engineer will approve control points.

## C. Application

Apply the pavement markings as follows:

- 1. Apply the liquid marking material by spray method and according to the manufacturer's installation instructions.
- 2. Ensure marking configurations are in accordance with the "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices."

- 3. Place the reflectorized pavement markings only on properly prepared surfaces and at the widths and patterns designated on the Plans. Do not begin marking operations until applicable surface preparation work is completed and approved by the Engineer.
- 4. Air-blast the surface first, to remove any dirt and residues from the pavement. Then apply the pavement markings as a continuous operation.
- 5. Heat Component A and Component B to the manufacturer's recommended temperatures.
- 6. Ensure that mixing of the two components occurs in a static tube or impingement chamber prior to reaching the application spray nozzle.
- 7. Spray the mixed resin onto the pavement surface at a minimum uniform wet thickness of 20 mils (0.51 mm).
- 8. Immediately following application, drop the glass beads and/or ceramic reflective elements onto the liquid marking at the application rates recommended by the binder manufacture.
- 9. The work will be subject to application rate checks for both paint and beads.

Following an application of glass beads, and upon curing, ensure that the resulting marking is an adherent reflectorized stripe of the specified thickness and width that is capable of resisting deformation by traffic.

## **D.** Protective Measures

Protect newly applied paint as follows:

1. Traffic

Control and protect traffic with warning and directional signs during painting. Set up warning signs before beginning each operation and place signs well ahead of the painting equipment. When necessary, use a pilot car to protect both the traffic and the painting operation.

2. Fresh Paint

Protect the freshly painted stripe using cones or other satisfactory devices. Repair stripe damage or pavement smudges caused by traffic according to <u>Subsection 658.3.04</u>.

## E. Appearance and Tolerance of Variance

Continually deviating from stated dimensions is cause for stopping the work and removing the nonconforming stripe. (See <u>Section 656</u>.) Adhere to the following measurements:

1. Width

Do not lay stripe less than the specified width. Do not lay stripe more than 1/2 in (13 mm) over the specified width.

2. Length

Ensure that the 10 ft (3 m) painted skip stripe and the 30 ft (10 m) gap between painted segments vary no more than  $\pm 1$  ft (300 mm) each.

- 3. Alignment
  - a. Ensure that the stripe does not deviate from the intended alignment by more than 1 in (25 m) on tangents or curves of 1 degree or less.
  - b. Ensure that the stripe does not deviate by more than 2 in (50 mm) on curves exceeding 1 degree.

## 658.3.04 Quality Acceptance

Ensure that stripes and segments of stripes are clean-cut and uniform. Markings that do not appear uniform or satisfactory, either during the day or night, or do not meet Specifications or become marred or damaged by traffic or from other causes, will be corrected at the Contractor's expense.

Sections of painted stripe, words, and symbols placed according to the Plans and Specifications and have dried so that paint will not be picked up or marred by vehicle tires will be accepted. The Contractor will be relieved of responsibility for maintenance on accepted sections.

## A. Correction of Alignment

When correcting a deviation that exceeds the permissible tolerance in alignment, do the following:

- 1. Remove the affected portion of stripe, plus an additional 25 ft (8 m) in each direction.
- 2. Paint a new stripe according to these Specifications.

Remove the stripe according to Section 656.

## **B.** Removal of Excess Paint

Remove misted, dripped, or spattered paint to the Engineer's satisfaction. Do not damage the underlying pavement during removal.

Refer to the applicable portions of Section 656.

# 658.4 Measurement

When traffic stripe is paid for by the square yard (meter), the number of square yards (meters) painted is measured and the space between stripes is included in the overall measurement.

Linear measurements are made on the painted surface by an electronic measuring device attached to a vehicle. On curves, chord measurements, not exceeding 100 linear feet (30 linear meters), are used.

Traffic stripe and markings, complete in place, are measured and accepted for payment as follows:

## A. Solid Traffic Stripe

Solid traffic stripe is measured by the linear foot (meter), linear mile (kilometer), or square yard (meter). Breaks or omissions in solid lines or stripes at street or road intersections are not measured.

## B. Skip Traffic Stripe

Skip traffic stripe is measured by the gross linear foot (meter) or gross linear mile (kilometer). Unpainted spaces between the stripes are included in the overall measurements if the Plan ratio of 1 to 3 remains uninterrupted. Measurement begins and ends on a stripe.

## C. Pavement Markings

Pavement markings, words and symbols completed according to Plan dimensions are measured by the unit.

## 658.5 Payment

Payment will be full compensation for the work under this Section, including the following:

Cleaning and preparing surfaces

Furnishing materials, including paints, beads, and thinners

Applying, curing, and protecting paints

Protecting traffic, including providing and placing necessary warning signs

Furnishing tools, machines, and other equipment necessary to complete the Item

Payment will be made under:

Item No. 658	Solid polyurea traffic stripe, in (mm), (color)	Per linear mile (kilometer)
Item No. 658	Skip polyurea traffic stripe,in (mm), (color)	Per gross linear mile (kilometer)
Item No. 658	Solid polyurea traffic stripe,in (mm), (color)	Per linear foot (meter)
Item No. 658	Skip polyurea traffic stripe,in (mm), (color)	Per gross linear foot (meter)
Item No. 658	Polyurea pavement markings, words, and symbols, (color)	Per each
Item No. 658	Polyurea Traffic stripe,in (mm), ( <u>color</u> )	Per square yard (meter)