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          2007 Update to the Michigan Test Methods Manual

The Construction and Technology (C&T) Division has made revisions to the Michigan Test Methods Manual. Questions concerning these revisions or the schedule of future revisions may be directed to the Engineer of Specifications. All holders of record on file with MDOT’s Publications Office will receive copies of the listed additions and revisions to the manual.

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Corrected typographical error.

MTM 129-07  Leachate Determination of Iron Blast Furnace Slag Used for Lightweight Aggregate Fill
New MTM to evaluate iron blast furnace slag for determination of leachate from the aggregate.

MTM 313-07  Standard Practice of Sampling HMA Paving Mixtures
Revised to include instructions for sampling loose mix from wedging and a mini-stockpile.

MTM 324-07  Sampling HMA Paving Mixtures Behind the Paver
Revised to include a minimum distance on paving operation when doing sampling with shovel.

MTM 325-07  Quantitative Extraction of Bitumen from HMA Paving Mixtures
New MTM to cover the quantitative determination of bitumen in HMA paving mixtures.

MTM 601-07  Epoxy Coated Dowel Bars for Load Transfer in Concrete Pavement Joints
Revised to remove Type A and Type B coatings since we only have epoxy in the standard specifications.

MTM 614-07  Bond Release Agents for Epoxy Coated Dowel Bars
New MTM for use in qualifying bond release agents for use on epoxy coated steel dowel bars used for load transfer in concrete pavement joints.

MTM 723-07  Water Tightness Testing of Culvert and Sewer Joints up to 24 inches in Diameter
Revised to remove time limitation on laboratory test results, and to correct a conversion error.