

**EQUIPMENT**

- 1 OVEN: Thermostatically controlled up to  $176^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ .....
- 2 THERMOMETER: Range from 50 to  $260^{\circ}\text{C}$ .....
- 3 MISCELLANEOUS: Shallow metal pan, scoop, gloves etc. ....

**MIXTURE CONDITIONING PROCEDURES**

1. FOR VOLUMETRIC MIXTURE DESIGN
  - a) mixture placed in a pan and spread to an even thickness of 25mm to 50 mm thickness.....
  - b) pan placed in a oven for  $2\text{ h} \pm 5$  minutes at a temperature equal to the compaction temperature  $\pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Stir after  $60 \pm 5$  minutes .....
  - c) pan removed from oven After  $2\text{ h} \pm 5$  (the mixture is now ready for compaction or testing).....
  - d) compaction temperature based on kinematic viscosity of asphalt cement.....
  - e) compaction temperature of modified asphalt cement supplied by manufacturer.....
  - f) conditioning of plant produced material requested by Agency .....
2. SHORT TERM CONDITIONING FOR MIXTURE MECHANICAL PORPerties TESTING
  - a) mixture placed in pan and spread evenly to between 25 and 50 mm.....
  - b) pan placed in the oven for  $4\text{ h} \pm 5$  minutes. Stir after every  $60 \pm 5$  minutes to maintain uniform conditioning. ....
  - c) after  $4\text{ h} \pm 5$  minutes remove the pan form the oven (The mixture is now ready for further conditioning or testing). ....
3. LONG TERM CONDITIONING FOR MIXTURE MECHANICL PROPERTIES TESTING
  - a) applied to mixtures from item 2 above, plant-mixed HMA and roadway specimens.....
4. SPECIMENS COMPACTED USING THE SUPERPAVE GYRATORY COMPACTOR
  - a) specimens compacted according to T312.....
  - b) specimen extruded after 2 to 3 hours.....
  - c) specimen allowed to stand at room temperature for  $16\text{ h} \pm 1\text{ h}$  .....
5. SPECIMENS COMPACTED USING ROLLING WHEEL COMPACTOR
  - a) specimen compacted according to PP3 using the rolling wheel compactor.....
  - b) specimen cooled at room temperature for  $16\text{ h} \pm 1\text{ h}$ .....
  - c) slab removed from mold, saw or core the required specimens from slab .....
6. COMPACTED ROADWAY SPECIMENS
  - a) test specimens cooled at room temperature for  $16\text{ h} \pm 1\text{ h}$  .....
7. LONG TERM CONDITIOINING OF PREPARED TEST SPECIMENS
  - a) compacted test specimen placed in conditioning oven for  $120\text{ h} \pm 0.5\text{ h}$  at  $85 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ .....
  - b) oven turned off, open doors and cool to room temperature (usually 16 h) .....
  - c) sample now ready for testing as required .....
8. REPORT
  - a) binder grade, content (nearest 0.1 %) aggregate type and gradation (if applicable).....
  - b) mixture conditioning information for volumetric mixture design (if applicable)
    - i) mixture conditioning temperature in laboratory (compaction temperature to nearest  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).....
    - ii) mixture conditioning duration (to nearest minute) .....
    - iii) laboratory compaction temperature .....
  - c) short-term mixture conditioning for mixture mechanical property testing conditions (if applicable)
    - i) laboratory compaction temperature (nearest  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) .....
    - ii) long-term conditioning temperature in laboratory (if applicable).....
    - iii) long-term conditioning temperature in laboratory (nearest five minutes) .....

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