## SUPERPAVE GYRATORY COMPACTION LAB MIX (ON QC)

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Type A Superpave laboratories are required to carry out Gyratory compaction and appropriate subsequent testing using **only** Lab samples as the starting material. Type A laboratories are **NOT** required to carry out additional testing on Mix compliance samples.

# **Lab Mix Samples**

One bag of coarse aggregate each (GYCA-A-X and GYCA-B-X) and one bag of fine aggregate each (GYFA-A-X and GYFA-B-X) along with asphalt cement (GYAC-A-X and GYAC-B-X) have been provided.

# **Aggregate Preparation**

On receipt of the bulk samples of coarse and fine aggregate, dry the samples to constant mass and size the **coarse** aggregate (down to 2.36 mm size) and pass 2.36mm portion.

**Note 1:** To ensure that all laboratories receive identical samples, the fine aggregate samples have been recombined from individual sieve sizes. Before commencing any testing, these samples should be **carefully but thoroughly mixed** (each fine aggregate separately) by running through a mini-splitter several times.

Note 2: Pay attention to the notes included with the weigh cards for each mix

## **Mix Preparation**

- 1) For Gyratory samples (two samples for each mix) combine the dried aggregate and asphalt cement in the proportions indicated in the Weigh Card tables for Material I and Material II. Mass of the sample to be consistent with those included in the appropriate weigh card.
- 2) An additional sample using the same proportions of dried aggregate and asphalt cement shall be produced for Maximum Theoretical Relative Density (MRD); minimum mass of 1500g.
- 3) The mixing temperature and compaction temperature shall be as indicated on the appropriate mix design weigh card form.
- 4) Mixture conditioning for both Gyratory and MRD samples shall be carried out at the mixture compaction temperature indicated on the weighcard ±3°C for 2h ± 5 minutes (as indicated in AASHTO R30). Proceed immediately with compaction.

For Material A:  $N_{ini} = 8$ ,  $N_{des} = 100$ For Material B:  $N_{ini} = 8$ ,  $N_{des} = 100$ 

The same Superpave Gyratory Compactor shall be used to compact both materials.

5) The specimens can be extruded from the mold immediately after compaction.

# **Sample Testing**

- 1) Follow LS-262 (latest revision) for the determination of the Bulk Relative Density (BRD) of the gyratory samples.
- 2) Follow LS-264 (latest revision) for the determination of the Maximum Theoretical Relative Density (MRD) of the separate sample blended for this purpose.

# Report

- 1) Maximum Theoretical Relative Density (MRD) for gyratory mix
- 2) Bulk Relative Density for gyratory compacted samples
- 3) Percent G<sub>mm</sub> at N<sub>ini</sub>
- 4) The calculated percent air voids of the compacted specimen (N<sub>design</sub>) to nearest 0.1%
- 5) Manufacturer, Model, and Serial number of the Superpave Gyratory Compactor used to compact the samples.

All test results shall be reported online and submitted by **January 8 2021**. An example of a completed report form is shown on page 4.

Hard copies of the report forms and work sheets must be submitted by **January 8 2021** by mail or courier to:

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Superpave Gyratory Specimens - Material A

Weigh Card (mass in grams)										
Mass Type	Coarse Aggregate						Fine	Dust	Asphalt	
	GYCA-A-X						Aggregate		Cement	
		12.5mm *	9.5mm	4.75mm	2.36mm	Pass **	GYFA-A-X	Dust	GYAC-A-X	
						2.36mm				
Individual		86.1	768.2	1,266.0	17.0	14.5	2,331.2	152.4	264.6	
Cumulative		86.1	854.3	2,120.3	2,137.3	2,151.8	4,483.0	4,635.4	4,900.0	

Mixing Temperature = 147°C Compaction Temperature = 133°C AC Content = 5.4%

## Notes:

- 1. \* Is material retained on the 12.5mm sieve to be discarded? No
- 2. \*\* Is material passing the 2.36mm sieve material from coarse aggregate to be discarded? **No**OR

has the pass 2.36mm sieve material been included in the component package? No

- 3. \*\*\* Has dust been supplied separately? Yes. In a separate bag with the fine aggregate.
- 4. Masses provided for Superpave Gyratory Specimens are to be adjusted proportionally to provide for Maximum Theoretical Relative Density (MRD) test samples.

Superpave Gyratory Specimens - Material B

Weigh Card (mass in grams)										
Type Mass	Coarse Aggregate GYCA-B-X						Fine Aggregate	D a. t * * *	Asphalt Cement	
		12.5mm *	9.5mm	4.75mm	2.36mm	Pass ** 2.36mm	GYFA-B-X	Dust***	GYAC-B-X	
Individual		59.0	562.2	1316.4	146.6	47.8	2309.7	164.3	294.0	
Cumulative		59.0	621.2	1937.6	2084.2	2132.0	4441.7	4606.0	4900.0	

Mixing Temperature = 148°C Compaction Temperature = 135°C AC Content = 6.0%

# Notes:

- 1. \* Is material retained on the 12.5mm sieve to be discarded? No
- 2. \*\* Is material passing the 2.36mm sieve material from coarse aggregate to be discarded? No OR

has the pass 2.36mm sieve material been included in the component package? No

- 3. \*\*\* Has dust been supplied separately? Yes, in a separate bag with the fine aggregate
- 4. Masses provided for Superpave Gyratory Specimens are to be adjusted proportionally to provide for Maximum Theoretical Relative Density (MRD) test samples.



# **2020 Asphalt Reporting Form** Gyratory Lab Mix



