



The Wisconsin Department of Transportation has prepared this Construction and Materials Manual (CMM) to assist department staff involved in the administration and inspection of construction projects.

The primary goal of this manual is to establish uniformity in the application and enforcement of contract requirements by department personnel. In addition, as the audience of this manual also extends to non-department personnel, such as to contractors, consultants, and third-party agencies, a secondary goal is to communicate the department's general policies, practices, and expectations, with the intent of encouraging greater cooperation between the department and its construction industry partners.

Although the manual has been written in part to clarify contract requirements and may at times specifically refer to contract requirements, the guidance provided does not replace, modify, or supersede any of the provisions of the contract, including the specifications, special provisions, and plans.

Furthermore, it is not the intent of this manual to address every situation that could arise on a project. The manual provides guidance based on common industry practice for standard types of transportation construction work. To resolve situations that are not covered by this manual, it will be necessary to use past experience and sound engineering judgment or to seek the advice of superiors or subject matter experts.

Except where specifically incorporated by reference in the contract documents, the information included in this manual is not part of the contract and imposes no additional obligations upon the contractor.

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