Iowa Department of Transportation -- Office of Contracts

Bid items for Bid Items Application have been updated.

- Beginning on page 2 is a summary of the updates to the bid item files.
- New items are effective immediately unless otherwise noted.
- Use of new items on projects let before the effective date will not be permitted.
- Items shown as omitted shall not be used on projects to be let after the February 17, 2018 letting.
- FYI: 'Spec' changes to existing bid items are not included in this notification.

Specifications for most bid items consist of five parts: 1) Description, 2) Materials, 3) Construction, 4) Method of Measurement, and 5) Basis of Payment. The Spec Codes defined below, and shown in the online English Bid Item Description Book and Metric Bid Item Description Book, are used to identify a source(s) where typical specs for the bid item located. The specific source will depend on the actual use and application of the bid item.

The policy of the Office of Contracts is that the designer of the projects let through the Iowa D.O.T. letting system ensures that all bid items have complete specifications.

Special attention is directed to the codes STD6, SP2, and PLAN that may use or need multiple sources. For many bid items with those codes, additional information is required. This could include entire specifications (all five parts) for a bid item, or modifications/changes/additional requirements to one or more parts of an existing specification. For most of those bid items, the specs could be included in the Item Reference Information or General Notes of the project plan. The designer is encouraged to use the Standard Specifications, Supplemental Specifications, etc. as resources for the proper language for any of the five spec portions for similar bid items.

Spec Code	Spec Source			
STD	Standard Specifications - including General Supplemental Specifications			
STD2	Standard Specifications - including applicable Supplemental Specifications			
STD3	Standard Specifications - including applicable Supplemental Specifications or Standard Road Plans			
STD4	Standard Specifications - including applicable Standard Bridge Plans			
STD5	Standard Specifications - including applicable Standard Road Plans			
STD6	Standard Specifications - including applicable Special Provisions or Project Plan			
DS	Developmental Specifications			
SS	Supplemental Specifications			
SS2	Supplemental Specifications or Project Plan			
SP	Special Provisions			
SP2	Special Provisions or Project Plan			
SBP	Standard Bridge Plans			
SRP	Standard Road Plans			
PLAN	Project Plan			
PROP	Proposal Form			

Bid Items Application Update to Bid Item Listings -- February 26, 2018

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Effect Dt	The following Item Code	items have been added to the valid bid item description listing	ug: Unit	Spec		
	Those bid i	items were added by new Developmental Specifications.				
Apr 2018		ASPHALT BINDER, PG 58-34E+, EXTREMELY HIGH TRAFFIC, 90% ELAS TIC RECOVERY	TON	DS		
		ENGINEERED EMULSION FOR FOG SEAL (PAVEMENT)	GAL	DS		
		ENGINEERED EMULSION FOR FOG SEAL (SHOULDERS) ENGINEERED EMULSION FOR FOG SEAL (SHOULDER RUMBLE STRIPS)	GAL GAL	DS DS		
		ENGINEERED EMULSION FOR FOG SEAL (SHOULDER RUMBLE STRIPS)	GAL	DS DS		
These bid items were added by General Supplemental Specifications.						
		REMOVE AND REINSTALL REFERENCE LOCATION SIGN	EACH			
Jul 2018 Jan 2018		REFERENCE LOCATION SIGN HYDRAULIC SEEDING	EACH ACRE			
	The following bid item was changed to an extra work item to eliminate confusion for designers.					
Feb 2018	_	PAY ADJUSTMENT INCENTIVE/DISINCENTIVE FOR HMA MIXTURE LONGIT UDINAL JOINT DENSITY (FORMULA - BY PAY FACTOR)	EACH	DS		
	Item Code	Description	Unit	Spec		
		STEEL BEAM G'RAIL TNGNT END TERM, BA-225	EACH	STD		
	The following items have been identified as no longer being valid bid items, and have been omitted from the current version of Bid Items Application:					
	Item Code	Description	Unit			
	2303-7000630	PAY ADJ I/D-HMA MIXTURE LONG JT DENS	EACH			
		O'HD SIGN SUPPORT, CNTLVRD, 33' ARM	EACH			
		O'HD SIGN SUPPORT, CNTLVRD, 34' ARM	EACH			
		O'HD SIGN SUPPORT, CNTLVRD, 35' ARM	EACH			
	2502-8221304	SUBDRAIN OUTLET, DR-304	EACH			
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