

### APPENDIX A-3 REQUIREMENTS FOR ASPHALT MIX COMPLIANCE LABORATORIES SUPERPAVE METHODS (TYPE B)

This class of laboratory is involved in the testing of asphalt mixes to check for compliance with specifications such as: gradation, extraction, compaction, bulk relative density of compacted gyratory samples, theoretical maximum relative density, air voids and voids in mineral aggregate of laboratory compacted mix samples. The laboratory may be either permanent or mobile. The laboratory must have the necessary general equipment for sampling, transportation, storage and re-heating of samples, if necessary, without adverse affect. The laboratory must have the capability to support the specific testing involved.

#### **Staff**

The general testing services of a Superpave Asphalt Mix Compliance Laboratory will be under the direction and control of a person charged with engineering-management responsibility. This designated person shall be a Professional Engineer (or equivalent as approved by CPAC) and a full-time employee of the company/organization, and have at least three years experience in the inspection and testing of construction materials.

The direct testing services of a Superpave Asphalt Mix Compliance Laboratory will be supervised and reported by a supervisory laboratory technician with at least three years experience performing tests on construction materials. This designated person shall be able to demonstrate the ability to perform all tests required in the manner stipulated under governing procedures. This person shall keep up with developments in asphalt technology and have C.E.T. designation (or equivalent as designated by CPAC).

Technicians employed in a Superpave Asphalt Mix Compliance Laboratory shall have the necessary experience to complete the required tests under the direct supervision of the supervisory laboratory technician. There shall be at least one laboratory technician who has met the requirements of the CCIL Superpave Asphalt Technician Certification Program working in the laboratory while that laboratory is in operation.

#### **Equipment, Manuals and Reporting Procedures**

A Superpave Asphalt Mix Compliance Laboratory must have the necessary equipment, manuals and reporting procedures to perform compliance checks on bituminous mixes in accordance with current Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (LS), AASHTO (M, R, T) and ASTM (C, D, E) Methods. The following test methods are required:

LS310/T305 *Draindown Characteristics in Uncompacted Asphalt Mixtures, Characteristics of (If Required)*

LS313/T312 *Preparing and Determining the Density of Hot-Mix Asphalt (HMA) Specimens by Means of the Superpave Gyratory Compactor*

LS262/ D2726 *Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Asphalt Mixes Using Saturated Surface-Dry Specimen*

**OR**

LS-306/D1188 *Bulk Relative Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures using Paraffin Coated Specimens*

**OR**

D6752 *Bulk Specific Gravity and Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures Using Automatic Vacuum Sealing Equipment*

LS264/ D2041 *Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity and Density of Bituminous Paving Mixtures*

LS-265/D3203 *Percent Air Voids in Compacted Dense Bituminous Pavement Mixtures, Determination of*

**See Note 1 below**

LS-266 V.M.A. in Compacted Bituminous Mixtures, Determination of

LS-281 Percent Compaction of Compacted Bituminous Pavement Mixtures, Determination of

**OR**

LS-287/D3549 Determination of Percent Compaction of Compacted Bituminous Paving Mixtures, Method of Test for the

LS-282/D2172 Quantitative Extraction of Asphalt Cement and Analysis of Extracted Aggregate from Bituminous Paving Mixtures, Method of Test for and/or Alternative Test Procedure

**OR**

LS-292/D6307 Quantitative Determination of Asphalt Cement Content by Ignition and Analysis of the Remaining Aggregate from the Bituminous Paving Mixtures, Method of Test for the

LS-602/C136 Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates, Method of Test for

Note 1. Tests listed above in italics designate tests required for mobile type laboratories that have applied for Type B – Superpave certification

only. Subsequent to successful inspection the Certificate will list these test only.

In addition to these tests, an Asphalt Mix Compliance Laboratory must be able to complete, or have documented access to a CCIL certified laboratory able to complete test methods in accordance with current MTO Laboratory Testing Manual Methods (LS):

- LS-200/D5 Penetration of Bituminous Materials, Method of Test for
  - LS-202/D2170 Kinematic Viscosity of Asphalt, Method of Test for
  - LS-283/D1074 Resistance to Stripping of Asphalt Cement in Bituminous Mixtures by Immersion Marshall, Method of Test for
- OR**
- T283 Resistance of Compacted Asphalt Mixtures to Moisture-Induced Damage