

MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
  
SPECIAL PROVISION  
FOR  
**LIGHTING FOR NIGHT WORK SPECIFICATIONS**

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**Delete subsection 812.03.H, on page 619 of the Standard Specifications for Construction in its entirety and replace it with the following:**

**H. Lighting for Night Work.** Furnish, install, operate, maintain and replace, as needed, fixed, portable, or equipment mounted lighting systems that provide lighting to ensure worker and inspector safety on and around the worksite. Provide lighting that allows workers and inspectors to clearly conduct all operations and inspections during hours of darkness. Provided lighting systems must meet the requirements set forth in *MIOSHA Rule 408.40133 Illumination, MIOSHA Rule 408.42223 (7) Traffic Control*, section 706 of the Standard Specifications for Construction, and the contract.

Provide and position the lamps to meet the following lighting requirements: Provide a minimum illumination intensity of 10 foot-candles (108 lux) on a jobsite where construction work is being performed. Maintain a minimum of 5 foot-candles (54 lux) throughout the entire area of operation where workers may pass through on foot or are present but are not performing construction work. Vehicle or equipment headlights are not considered as an approved light source.

Lighting levels will be measured with an illuminance meter. Readings from smart-phones are not acceptable. Readings will be taken where the work is being performed, in a horizontal plane 3 feet above the pavement or ground surface. When necessary, provide additional lights to overlap the footprints of the lights so that the lighting requirements are continuous, and do not fall below the minimum lighting requirements throughout the work area.

Submit a "work area lighting plan" to the Engineer for review for approval a minimum of 14 calendar days prior to the start of work. The Engineer will have 7 calendar days to review the plan for approval or provide comments for plan revisions required to obtain approval. At a minimum, the plan must include the proposed lighting locations for construction equipment, vehicles and pedestrian paths, identification of a person or persons of authority (including contact information) on the project site responsible to execute the plan requirements, and measures that will be taken to ensure compliance with the plan. All costs and any additional time required to obtain an approved "work area lighting plan" will not be cause for delay or impact claims.

Design and operate the lighting system to avoid glare that interferes with traffic, workers, or inspection personnel. Aim flood, spot or stadium type luminaries downward at the work and rotated outward no greater than 30 degrees from nadir (straight down). Position balloon lights at least 12 feet above the roadway.

Design the lighting system to light the work area without spilling over to adjoining property. Modify the lighting system, if directed by the Engineer, by rearranging the lights or adding hardware to shield the lights when the lighting system is disturbing adjoining properties.

Provide a power source that adequately powers the lamps to their full capacity. Provide all lighting equipment in good operating condition and in accordance with applicable safety and design codes.

Provide backup lighting to replace lights and equipment during nighttime operations. Store the backup equipment on the project site and have it available for use at all times during the nighttime operations. The backup systems must meet the same criteria as the primary system.

Drive through and observe the lighted area from all traveled directions, including cross roads after initial lighting set up to determine the adequacy of placement and potential for glare. Adjust lighting alignment if necessary. Ensure that the alignment of the lighting does not interfere with or impede traffic on open roadways.

At any time during the course of the nighttime work, should the lighting not meet the requirements of this special provision, the work must be halted until adequate lighting is provided. This suspension of work will be at no additional cost to the Department and the Contractor cannot receive an extension of time to complete the work.

Use balloon lighting for nighttime traffic regulating operations. Position the balloon lighting for traffic regulators so that the light illuminates the front of the traffic regulator without casting a shadow on the front of the regulator, the light or equipment does not impair the regulator's vision, and the equipment does not impede the regulator's escape path. Position the lighting so that the light does not wash out the lighted arrow at the regulator's station and does not obscure the lighted arrow. Position lighting so that it does not create glare or shine directly in the eyes of oncoming drivers. Illuminate the traffic regulator's station with a minimum illumination intensity of 10 foot-candles (108 lux). Lighting devices used to illuminate nighttime traffic regulator operation that have failed or have been damaged are to be replaced immediately.

Mount the light fixtures on the construction equipment in a mobile operation, in such a way that the view of the equipment operator is not obstructed and a secure connection to the equipment is ensured, with minimum vibration.

Provide each paver with the minimum illumination as specified in this special provision so that the operator and paving crew can clearly see the material going into the hopper, the auger area, and for alignment. Provide a continuous power source to ensure the lighting is in operation at all times during work. The light should be adjustable up and down, and rotatable horizontally. The area behind the paver must be lighted so the work and operations can be seen clearly and inspected properly.

Equip each roller with four headlights, two facing in each direction of travel. Turn headlights off when facing oncoming traffic and only use them when moving equipment from one location to another.

Provide a continuous power source on each roller with a light tower. The light tower must be a minimum of 4 feet higher than the roller.

When light equipment is not in use, it must be removed from the work area.