

**Iowa Department of Transportation -- Office of Contracts**

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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 May 17, 2016 letting.

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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 -- 5/10/2016**

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**ENGLISH ITEMS**

The following items have been added to the valid bid item description listing:

Effect Dt	Item Code	Description	Unit	Spec
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The following bid items were added based on the needs of Designers for upcoming projects.

Oct 2016	2505-4008410	STEEL BEAM GUARDRAIL BARRIER TRANSITION SECTION, BA-201	EACH	STD
Oct 2016	2505-4008420	STEEL BEAM GUARDRAIL BARRIER TRANSITION SECTION, BA-221	EACH	STD
Oct 2016	2505-4021722	STEEL BEAM GUARDRAIL FLARED END TERMINAL, BA-225	EACH	STD
May 2016	2524-9081261	CONCRETE FOOTING FOR BREAKAWAY SIGN POST, 2'-8" DIA. X 6'-0"	EACH	STD
Oct 2016	2602-0000400	TEMPORARY INTAKE OR MANHOLE COVER ASSEMBLY	EACH	PLAN

The following item has had the bid item description changed to the following:

Item Code	Description	Unit	Spec
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This bid item is now covered by Developmental Specifications.

2595-0005125	RAILROAD PROTECTIVE INSURANCE FOR DME	LS	<b>DS</b>
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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
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2524-9081260	CONCRETE FOOTING FOR BREAKAWAY SIGN POST, 2'-0" DIA. X 6'-0"	EACH
2524-9081265	CONCRETE FOOTING FOR BREAKAWAY SIGN POST, 2'-0" DIA. X 6'-6"	EACH
2524-9081267	CONCRETE FOOTING FOR BREAKAWAY SIGN POST, 2'-0" DIA. X 7'-0"	EACH
2524-9081280	CONCRETE FOOTING FOR BREAKAWAY SIGN POST, 2'-8" DIA. X 8'-0"	EACH
2524-9081285	CONCRETE FOOTING FOR BREAKAWAY SIGN POST, 2'-8" DIA. X 8'-6"	EACH

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