

Design Advisory

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2020 Standard
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website.

*This advisory is
superseded by any
subsequent revisions to
the references listed in
this index.*

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2020 Standard Specifications for Construction

The electronic final version (by Division) of the 2020 Standard Specifications for Construction is available on the MDOT website at:

[MDOT - Reports, Publications and Specs \(michigan.gov\)](http://www.michigan.gov)

The latest electronic version of the 2020 pay item codes are available under 'Estimating' on the MDOT website at:

[MDOT - Design \(michigan.gov\)](http://www.michigan.gov)

Implementation:

The 2020 Standard Specifications for Construction will be effective beginning with projects submitted for the August 2021 letting. Projects currently under contract and let prior to August 2021 will continue to be administered under the 2012 Standard Specifications for Construction.

Any special provision approved for use under the 2020 Standard Specifications for Construction cannot be placed in projects using the 2012 Standard Specifications for Construction.

Any special provision approved for use under the 2012 Standard Specifications for Construction cannot be placed in projects using the 2020 Standard Specifications for Construction without being submitted, reviewed, and approved for use under the 2020 Standard Specifications for Construction.

Many of the Frequently Used, Recommended, Templates, and Previously Approved Special Provisions that were approved for the 2012 Standard Specifications for Construction have been approved for the 2020 Standard Specifications for Construction and are available on the MDOT websites at:

[MDOT - SS/SP System - Log In \(state.mi.us\)](http://state.mi.us)

[MDOT - Special Provisions \(state.mi.us\)](http://state.mi.us)

Exceptions:

Projects let after August 2021 and designed according to the 2012 Standard Specifications for Construction will only be accepted with written approval from both the Region Engineer and the Engineer of Design. Approvals by email are acceptable and must be placed in the Supporting Documents folder in ProjectWise prior to milestone meetings and final plan submittal. Use the file naming convention '2012specapproval.pdf'.