

Frequently Asked Questions associated with SOP CSD-23-17-1-000

No	Question	Answer
1	Does the new SOP apply to my project?	The SOP applies to all projects that have a Supplemental Specification dated 9/30/2023 or later. If your Contract has a Supplemental Specification earlier than the 9/30/2023 version, then this SOP does not apply to your contract.
2	My Contract Supplemental Specifications are dated 7/30/2023, Is my contractor required to do anything differently?	No. The Contract may proceed consistent with your current Contract.
<i>The remaining questions apply to projects with a Supplemental Specification dated 9/30/2023 or later</i>		
3	My Contract has Temporary Traffic Control Plans in it. Can we just follow those?	Yes. If however the Contractor chooses to use alternative plans they can prepare, and submit them for Approval. Either way, the Contractor must specify what plans they intend on using by submitting the standard TMP submittal form.
4	The Contractor has elected to prepare and submit alternative TTCs. Do I pay for this as Extra Work?	No. If the Contractor proposes alternative TTCs, they are required to prepare and submit to MassDOT and the cost to prepare the TTC is incidental to the Contract.
5	My Contract does not include site specific TTCs. The Contract does however include the MassDOT Work Zone Safety Temporary Traffic Control Typical Details. Can the Contractor use the typical details?	Yes, the Contractor can use the typical details and shall identify their use on their TMP submission form.
6	My Contract does not include any TTCs, either in my Contract book, nor in my design plans. What should the project do?	If there are no site specific TTCs in the Contract documents, the contractor can use an applicable construction standard detail. This should be identified in their TMP submission prior to construction operations commencing. If there is any question the contractor may submit a Request for Information (RFI).
7	My contract is a various locations maintenance contract. How do I proceed?	An initial TMP submission is still required, however it is expected that the Contractor will reference typical TTC details that will be utilized.
8	My Contractor is proposing to submit alternative TTCs and Detour Plans. Are they required to be stamped by a PE?	All Contractor proposed TTCs shall be stamped by a PE. Detour plans that include pedestrian detours shall be stamped by a PE. All other Detour plans are not required to be stamped by a PE.
9	My Contractor submitted the TMP submission. Who do I send it to for approval?	Consult the "Contractor Traffic Management Plan Submission Process Flowchart" attached to the SOP for information on the approval process.
10	When should TMP submissions be uploaded to the TMP Sharepoint Site; and who is responsible for uploading?	TMP submissions shall be uploaded to the Traffic Management SharePoint (TMS) Site by the Resident Engineer. TMPs should not be uploaded until they are approved.
11	How does the Contractor get paid for preparing the TMP submission?	The Contractor will only be paid for developing the TMP if components are missing from the Contract and Extra Work Order has been approved. The TMP submission is incidental to the Contract. There is no pay item, nor shall this work be considered Extra Work.