

**Item No. 408S
Concrete Joint Materials**

408S.1 Description

This item shall govern the furnishing and placing of all longitudinal, transverse contraction and expansion joint material in concrete work as herein specified in the various items of these specifications as indicated or as directed by the Engineer or designated representative.

This specification is applicable for projects or work involving either inch-pound or SI units. Within the text and accompanying tables, the inch-pound units are given preference followed by SI units shown within parentheses.

408S.2 Submittals

The submittal requirements of this specification item include:

- A. Type and manufacturer of all joint materials proposed for use.
- B. Technical data indicating that proposed products meet the requirements specified herein.

408S.3 Materials

(1) Preformed Asphalt Board

Preformed asphalt board formed from cane or other suitable fibers of a cellular nature securely bound together and uniformly impregnated with a suitable asphaltic binder and meeting the requirements of the Standard Specifications for Preformed Expansion Joint Filler for Concrete (Bituminous Type), ASTM D 994.

(2) Preformed Nonbituminous Fiber Material

Preformed nonbituminous fiber material shall meet the requirements of the Standard Specifications for the Preformed Expansion Joint Filler for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction, ASTM D 1751, except that the requirements pertaining to bitumen content, density and water absorption shall be voided.

(3) Boards

Boards obtained from Redwood timber, of sound heartwood, free from sapwood, knots, clustered birdseye, checks and splits. Occasional sound or hollow birdseye, when not in clusters, will be permitted provided the board is free from any other defects that will impair its usefulness as a joint filler.

(4) Joint Sealer (Concrete Pavement)

This material shall be a one part low modulus silicone especially designed to cure at ambient temperatures by reacting with moisture in the air and shall have the following properties:

As Supplied	
Color	Gray
Flow, MIL-2-8802D Sec. 4.8.4	0.2 maximum

Working Time, minutes	10
Tack-Free Time at 77°F ± 2F (25°C ± -1.66°C) Min. MIL-2-8802D Sec.4.8.7	60
Cure time, at 77°F (25°C), days	7-14
Full Adhesion, days	14-21
As Cured---after 7 days at 77°F (25°C) and 40% RH	
Elongation, percent minimum	1200
Durometer Hardness, Shore A, points ASTM 2240	15
Joint Movement Capability, percent	+100/-50
Tensile Strength, maximum elongation,psi (kPa)	100 (689)
Peel Strength, psi (kPa)	25 (172)

The joint sealer shall adhere to the sides of the concrete joint or crack and shall be an effective seal against infiltration of water and incompressibles. The material shall not crack or break when exposed to low temperature.

(5) Backer Rod

Backer Rod shall be expanded closed cell polyethylene foam compatible with sealant. No bond or reaction shall occur between rod and sealant. Backer Rod shall be of sufficient width to be in compression after placement and shall be used with joint sealer.

(6) Joint Sealing Material

Joint Sealing Material for other than pavement use may be a two-component, synthetic polymer or cold-pourable, self leveling type meeting the following requirements:

The material shall adhere to the sides of the concrete joint or crack and shall form an effective seal against infiltration of water and incompressibles. The material shall not crack or break when exposed to low temperatures. Curing is to be by polymerization and not by evaporation of solvent or fluxing of harder particles. It shall cure sufficiently at an average temperature of 77°F± 3°F (25°C ± -1.66°C) so as not to pick up under wheels of traffic in a maximum of 3 hours.

Performance Requirements:

When tested in accordance with Test Method Tex-525-C, the joint sealing material shall meet the above curing times and the requirements as follows:

It shall be of such consistency that it can be mixed and poured or mixed and extruded into joints at temperatures above 60°F (1.66°C).

Penetration 77°F (25°C), 150 gm. Cone, 5 sec., max.-cm	0.90
Bond and Extension 75%, 0F, 5 cycles:	
Dry Concrete Blocks	Pass
Wet Concrete Blocks	Pass
Steel Blocks (Primed if specified by manufacturer)	Pass
Flow at 200 °F (93°C)	None
Water content % by weight, max.	5.0

Resilience:	
Original sample min. % (cured)	50
Oven-aged at 158°F (70°C) min. %	50
For Class 1-a material only, Cold Flow (10 minute)	None

(7) Rebonded Recycled Tire Rubber

This material consists of granular particles of rubber, made by grinding automobile and truck tires, securely bound together by a synthetic resin or plastic binder. The filler must be molded into sheets of the required dimensions, which meet the testing requirements of both ASTM D 1751 and ASTM D 1752, except that the requirements for asphalt content and expansion are waived. The density of the material must be at least 30 lb/ft³ (440kg/m³).

408S.4 Construction Methods

The Contractor shall install "Concrete Joint Materials" which will function as a compatible system. Joint sealer shall not be placed where a bond breaker is present.

Asphalt, Redwood board or other materials used shall extend the full depth of the concrete and shall be perpendicular to the exposed face. All joints shall be shaped to conform to the contour of the finished section in which they are installed. All material shall be a minimum of 1/2 inch (12.5 mm) thick or as indicated. Wood materials shall be anchored to the adjacent concrete to permanently hold them in place. Joint sealer shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

The material used for side walk expansion joints shall conform to No. 3 above, unless otherwise indicated.

The material used for curb and gutter expansion joints filler shall conform to any of the above, except when placed adjacent to concrete pavement, the joint material shall match the pavement joint material.

408S.5 Measurement and Payment

No additional compensation will be made for materials, equipment or labor required by this item, but shall be included in the unit price bid for the item of construction in which this item is used.

End

SPECIFIC Cross Reference Materials
Standard Specification Item No. 408S, " Concrete Joint Materials"

American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

Designation	Description
D 994	Specification for Preformed Expansion Joint Filler for Concrete

D 1751	(Bituminous Type) Specification for Preformed Expansion Joint Filler for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction (Nonextruding and Resilient Bituminous Types)
D 1752	Specification for Preformed Sponge Rubber and Cork Expansion Joint Fillers for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction
D 2240	Standard Test Method for Rubber Property-Durameter Hardness

Texas Department of Transportation: Manual of Testing Procedures

Designation	Description
Tex-525-C	Tests for Asphalt and Concrete Joint Sealers