UPM® Permanent Pavement Repair Material Ouestions & Answers

How long will bulk UPM last in a stockpile?

Sufficient quantities (100 + tons) have a 1-year shelf life, smaller quantities last several weeks to several months depending on storage conditions.

The UPM stockpile will form a protective barrier on the outside of the pile, which keeps the interior of the stockpile fresh. Do not disturb protective barrier until ready to use. Load from one end of the stockpile only. Stockpile on a clean, paved pad away from dusty conditions.

What is the shelf life of bagged UPM?

Sealed 50-lb bags have a minimum shelf life of 1 year.

Are there seasonal grades of UPM?

Yes! UPM is available in winter, spring/fall, and summer formulas. These grades are designed for optimum performance during the various temperatures of application.

How long does it take UPM to set up?

Upon compaction, the aggregate and asphalt interlock making the repair stable enough for immediate traffic. The surface of the patch will cure to the hardness of the surrounding pavement. Depending upon the depth of the patch, UPM below the surface will cure at a very slow rate. This slow curing process allows the patch to move with the pavement during weathering, expansion and contraction.

What is the coverage rate of UPM?

Approximately 10 lbs. of UPM per square foot @ 1" depth (compacted) or approximately 1.4 ton UPM = 1 cubic yard.

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Is a primer or tack coat needed when applying UPM?

No! UPM is self-priming. The proprietary liquid asphalt used in manufacturing UPM provides tenacious binding properties to the surrounding walls of the area needing repair.

What methods of compaction are suitable?

Hand tamper, vibratory plate compactors, rollers or compaction by wheel rolling with a vehicle are acceptable. Sufficient compaction of UPM after installation will increase initial surface stability of the repair and prevent rutting, pushing and raveling.

Can UPM be used to patch in extremely wet conditions?

Yes! UPM is designed for permanent patching performance even in wet potholes.

Can UPM be used for concrete repairs?

Yes! UPM is ideal for repairing concrete pavements – including roadways, bridge decks, parking lots, etc.

What is the difference between UPM and other asphalt patching materials?

UPM works...guaranteed!

Can UPM patches be overlaid with hot mix asphalt?

Yes! Contractors, municipalities, and Departments of Transportation have successfully overlaid UPM patches without "bleed-through", pushing or rutting.

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