

B. CONSTRUCTION METHODS

1. Provide and install expansion joint conduit fittings on all structure-mounted conduits at the structure's expansion joints to allow for movement of the conduit. In addition, provide and install expansion joint fittings on all continuous runs of galvanized steel RMC conduit externally exposed on structures such as bridges at maximum intervals of 150 ft. When requested by the engineer, supply manufacturer's specification sheet for expansion joint conduit fittings. Repair or replace expansion joint fittings that do not allow for movement at no additional cost to the City. Provide the method of determining the amount of expansion to the engineer upon request. Do not use LFMC or LFNC as a substitute for the required expansion conduit fittings.
2. Space all conduit supports at maximum intervals of 5 ft. Install conduit spacers when attaching metal conduit to surface of concrete structures. See "Conduit Mounting Options" on TxDOT Detail Sheet ED(2). Install conduit support within 3 ft. of all enclosures and conduit terminations.
3. Do not attach conduit supports directly to pre-stressed concrete beams except as shown specifically in the plans or as approved by the engineer.
4. Install Trenched Conduit in accordance with the City's latest Details. Provide and place warning tape in the trench as shown in the City detail.
5. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, jack or bore conduit placed beneath 1) existing roadways, driveways, sidewalks, or 2) after the base or surfacing operation has begun. Backfill and compact the bore pits below the conduit prior to installing conduit or duct cable to prevent bending of the connections.
6. When placing conduit in the sub-grade of new roadways, backfill all trenches with excavated material unless otherwise noted on the plans. When placing conduit in the sub-base of new roadways, backfill all trenches with cement-stabilized base as per requirements of Items 100 "Earthwork" and 200 "Subgrade and Base Construction"
7. During construction, temporarily cap or plug open ends of all conduit and raceways immediately after installation to prevent entry of dirt, debris and animals. Temporary caps constructed of durable duct tape are allowed. Tightly fix the tape to the conduit opening. Clean out the conduit and prove it clear in accordance with Item 618 prior to installing any conductors.
8. Ensure conduit entry into the top of any enclosure is waterproof by installing conduit sealing hubs or using boxes with threaded bosses. This includes surface mounted safety switches, meter cans, service enclosures, auxiliary enclosures and junction boxes. Grounding bushings on water tight sealing hubs are not required.
9. Fit the ends of all PVC conduit terminations with bushings or bell end fittings. Provide and install a grounding type bushing on all metal conduit terminations.
10. Install a bonding jumper from each grounding bushing to the nearest ground rod, grounding lug, or equipment grounding conductor. Ensure all bonding jumpers are the same size as the equipment grounding conductor. Bonding of conduit used as a casing under roadways for duct cable is not required, if the duct extends the full length through the casing.
11. At all electrical services, install a 6 AWG solid copper grounding electrode conductor.
12. Seal ends of all conduits with duct seal, expandable foam, or by other methods approved by the Engineer. Seal conduit immediately after completion of conductor installation and pull tests. Do not use duct tape as a permanent conduit sealant. Do not use silicone caulk as a conduit sealant.
13. File smooth the cut ends of all mounting struts and conduit. Before installing, paint the field cut ends of all mounting strut and RMC (threaded or non-threaded) with zinc rich paint (94% or more zinc content) to alleviate overspray. Use zinc rich paint to touch up galvanized material as allowed in City Specifications and Detail Sheets. Do not paint non-galvanized material with a zinc rich paint as an alternative for materials required to be galvanized.

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