

**OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SPECIAL PROVISIONS
FOR
ADMINISTRATION AND EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TIME
(WINTER TIME SUSPENSION)**

These Special Provisions revise, amend, and where in conflict, supersede applicable sections of the 2009 Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, English and Metric.

108.07 ADMINISTRATION AND EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TIME

B. Calendar Day Contract (*Replace the 2nd paragraph with the following:*)

The Contractor may request a winter time suspension of time charges and work during the time period between December 21st and the following February 15th. The Contractor must make this request in writing to the Engineer at least ten (10) working days prior to the beginning date of the winter time suspension.

Upon receipt of the Contractor's written request, the Engineer will perform a field review of the project to determine if a winter time suspension is suitable. As part of the review, consideration will be given to the following applicable project components:

- more than 85% complete
- adverse impacts to the prosecution and progress of other projects
- on the interstate system
- lane or ramp closures
- lane or edge drop offs without a recoverable slope
- areas that require patching,
- obstructions (i.e. manholes, valve boxes, etc.) in the roadway that could hamper snow and ice removal
- exposed structural surfaces or subgrade
- areas that could pond water
- construction debris, materials, or equipment in the roadway clear zone
- temporary erosion control measures in place
- proper signage and striping in place
- driveways and side roads are accessible
- scheduled project deliveries and services (i.e. materials, inspections, etc.)
- expiring permits
- environmental mitigation as required by the contract
- items of work which, if left undone or unattended, would not be in the best interest of the Department or traveling public

After this review, the Engineer will notify the Contractor in writing that the request for suspensions is approved, or that the request for suspension is denied, citing the justification for such denial.

If the Resident Engineer approves the request, make all necessary arrangements to leave the project in a safe manner. The Contractor will continue to maintain the project work site during this time suspension in accordance with Subsection 105.14, "Maintenance During Construction." Items which do not affect the operational capacity or safety of the roadway that is open to traffic will not be subject to the 24 hour correction requirement. Any maintenance performed during the winter time suspension will be performed by the Contractor at no additional cost to the Department.

Upon completion of the winter time suspension, the Engineer will perform a field review of the project to ensure that any previously constructed elements of the project have not been damaged. If any damage is discovered, the Contractor will return these elements to their condition prior to the winter time suspension at no additional cost to the Department.

The winter time suspension is not to be used as a means for the Contractor to avoid time charges for weekends and holidays. If the Contractor chooses to perform work during the winter time suspension, the suspension will cease to be in effect and time charges will resume.

Notify the Resident Engineer if work is to resume prior to February 15th.

Liquidated damages will not be assessed for any portion of a winter time suspension that occurs after expiration of the contract time.

A winter time suspension will not suspend time charges subject to an incentive/disincentive provision.