

Asterisk (*) and "P" Bid Item Numbers

Asterisk and "P" bid item numbers signify that something is new or changed within that Standard, Supplemental, or Special Provision and Designers, Consultants, and Contractors need to pay special attention to those items.

Unique Numbers for Special Provisions

The PDBS system provides Unique bid items numbers for Special Provisions written for a project. Use the first five numbers of the unique item number as the Special Provision section number.

Example: Bid item 02216000* Earthwork, will have a corresponding Special Provision 02216S or 02216M. Special Provision titles and bid item numbers can be created to fit the project.

Asterisk Bid Item Numbers

Bid item numbers can be created for any Special Provision. The "S" designation of a Special Provision indicates a new section or a complete replacement of a Standard. The "M" designation indicates that part of a Standard is changed or added.

Use an Asterisk (*) in place of the last number of a nine digit bid item number to indicate it is supported by a Special Provision. Check that bid item numbers and Special Provision numbers match. [Asterisk bid items will always have a project specific special provision associated with them.](#)

Any special provision that the [Department has published as part of the Standard TOC](#), does not require the placement of an Asterisk (*) at the end of the item number.

"P" Bid Item Numbers

Use a "P" as the last number in a bid item when a specific item cannot be found in PDBS but a Standard Specification or Supplemental Specification covers the required work.

Example: A pay item for Concrete Curb Type Z, can use bid item number 027710020, Concrete Curb Type M2. Change the number to 02771002P and change the name to Concrete Curb Type Z.

Using a "P" allows you to change the title, unit of measure, or description.

Please contact Stacy Frandsen in the UDOT Construction Division at sfrandsen@utah.gov if you find a Standard Specification that does not have a bid item number associated with it so a number can be created in PDBS and you can use that number to create "P" items.

Please contact Deni Archuletta in the UDOT Construction Division at darchuletta@utah.gov if you have any program, technical questions or issues related to the Measurement & Payment.