

WHAT

- The RPL is a list of products and materials (or their manufacturers), which have been assessed by the Ministry, meet the Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, and were found to be generally suitable for use in Ministry construction and maintenance works.
- Being placed on the RPL is not a guarantee that the product will be suitable for all Ministry applications.
- Use of RPL-listed products may be made mandatory through Project-specific specifications. (e.g. "Supplied products must be on the RPL.") Where such terms are not present, non-RPL products may be used.
- Whether listed on the RPL or not, a product or material may only be used if it meets all Project specifications.

WHO

- Staff at District, Region, Major Project and Headquarters Level
- Designers (EOR), Project Teams, Maintenance Contractors and Consultants on Ministry Projects.

WHEN

- The RPL can be referenced in:
 - The Road & Bridge Maintenance Contract Agreement
 - Project Tender Documents
 - Invitation to Quote

WHY

- The RPL benefits users as follows:
 - **For Manufacturers and Suppliers:** The RPL provides a single point of contact for the evaluation and acceptance process of a product or material.
 - **For Specifiers (e.g. Purchasers, Designers, EoR, Contractors, etc.):** The RPL offers a list of potentially suitable products which eliminates the need for project-by-project assessment.
 - However, the specifier still has the responsibility to ensure that every product is specified in a manner that will ensure a supplied product will be suitable/designed for the specific use intended .
 - Specifiers may specify one or more specific products within an RPL subject category, if such products meet all Project specifications.

HOW

- Manufacturers and Suppliers can request addition of their product or material to the RPL by submitting a request for product evaluation to the Recognized Product List Standing Evaluation Committee (RPLSEC).
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/transportation-infrastructure/engineering-standards-guidelines/recognized-products-list/new-products-evaluation>.
- RPLSEC evaluates each proposed Product or Material to determine its suitability/use.
- Once the RPLSEC determines a Product or Material is suitable and acceptable it is listed on the RPL.
- On occasion, a product may be given provisional acceptance or be used in a pilot Project to assist in assessing its suitability by the RPLSEC.
- Products may be removed or suspended at any time if they do not perform or are found to be non-compliant or failing to meet Ministry requirements. The process to reinstate a Product follows the submission process.

QUESTIONS: Email
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