



**CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION FOR
CONNECTICUT IMPACT ATTENUATION SYSTEM (CIAS)**

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753.01	SCOPE
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This specification covers the requirements for the installation of Connecticut Impact Attenuation Systems (CIAS).

753.01.01 Specification Significance and Use

This specification has been developed for use in provincial- and municipal-oriented Contracts. The administration, testing, and payment policies, procedures, and practices reflected in this specification correspond to those used by many municipalities and the Ontario Ministry of Transportation.

Use of this specification or any other specification shall be according to the Contract Documents.

753.01.02 Appendices Significance and Use

Appendices are not for use in provincial contracts as they are developed for municipal use, and then, only when invoked by the Owner.

Appendices are developed for the Owner's use only.

Inclusion of an appendix as part of the Contract Documents is solely at the discretion of the Owner. Appendices are not a mandatory part of this specification and only become part of the Contract Documents as the Owner invokes them.

Invoking a particular appendix does not obligate an Owner to use all available appendices. Only invoked appendices form part of the Contract Documents.

The decision to use any appendix is determined by an Owner after considering their contract requirements and their administrative, payment, and testing procedures, policies, and practices. Depending on these considerations, an Owner may not wish to invoke some or any of the available appendices.

753.02 REFERENCES

When the Contract Documents indicate that provincial-oriented specifications are to be used and there is a provincial-oriented specification of the same number as those listed below, references within this specification to an OPSS shall be deemed to mean OPSS.PROV, unless use of a municipal-oriented specification is specified in the Contract Documents. When there is not a corresponding provincial-oriented specification, the references below shall be considered to be to the OPSS listed, unless use of a municipal-oriented specification is specified in the Contract Documents.

When the Contract Documents indicate that municipal-oriented specifications are to be used and there is a municipal-oriented specification of the same number as those listed below, references within this specification to an OPSS shall be deemed to mean OPSS.MUNI, unless use of a provincial-oriented specification is specified in the Contract Documents. When there is not a corresponding municipal-oriented specification, the references below shall be considered to be the OPSS listed, unless use of a provincial-oriented specification is specified in the Contract Documents.

This specification refers to the following standards, specifications, or publications:

Ontario Provincial Standard Specifications, Construction

OPSS 314 Untreated Granular, Subbase, Base, Surface, Shoulder, and Stockpiling
OPSS 904 Concrete Structures

Ontario Provincial Standard Specifications, Material

OPSS 1010 Aggregates - Base, Subbase, Select Subgrade, and Backfill Material
OPSS 1350 Concrete - Materials and Production
OPSS 1440 Steel Reinforcement for Concrete

CSA Standards

G40.20-04/G40.21-04 Rolled or Welded Structural Quality Steels
W47.1-03 Certification of Companies for Fusion Welding of Steel
W59-03 Welded Steel Construction (Metal Arc Welding)

ASTM International

A 53/A 53M-07	Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless
A 123/A 123M-09	Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products
A 153/A 153M-03	Zinc Coating (Hot-Dip) on Iron and Steel Hardware
A 307-07	Carbon Steel Bolts and Studs, 60 000 PSI Tensile Strength

753.05 MATERIALS

753.05.01 Concrete

Concrete shall be according to OPSS 1350 with a nominal minimum 28-Day compressive strength of 30 MPa.

753.05.02 Granular Base

Granular base shall be Granular A according to OPSS 1010.

753.05.03 Reinforcing Steel Bars

Reinforcing steel bars for concrete backwall shall be according to OPSS 1440.

753.05.04 Fasteners

Bolts, nuts, washers, and spacers shall be according to ASTM A 307 and hot dip galvanized according to ASTM A 153.

753.05.05 Steel Cylinders

Cylinders shall be fabricated from steel according to CSA G40.21, Grade 300W, and hot dip galvanized after fabrication to provide a zinc coating not less than 610 g/m² according to ASTM A 123.

Cylinders shall be cut square and seamless or electric welded. The finished cylinder shall be within 15 mm of true round. Each cylinder shall be labelled at the top with the designated A to N alphabetical character.

All edges shall be machined and free of burrs and sharp edges.

753.05.06 Steel Rails

Steel rails shall be fabricated as specified in the Contract Documents from flat stock steel according to CSA G40.21, Grade 300W, and hot dip galvanized after fabrication to provide a zinc coating not less than 610 g/m² according to ASTM A 123.

753.05.07 Steel Straps, Lid Support Angles, and Lifting Devices

Steel straps, lid support angles, and lifting devices shall be steel according to CSA G40.21, Grade 300W. All straps shall be cut to the width and length and welded to the cylinder as specified in the Contract Documents.

753.05.08 Steel Pipes

Steel pipes shall be 48.3 mm OD, standard weight, Schedule 40 steel pipe according to ASTM A 53 and welded to one side of the cylinder as specified in the Contract Documents.

753.05.09 Steel Pipe Retainers

Steel pipe retainers shall be 50 mm by 32 mm OD, standard weight, Schedule 40 steel pipe according to ASTM A 53 and welded to the side of the cylinder as specified in the Contract Documents.

753.05.10 Lids

Lids shall be fabricated from low-density polyethylene composed of 25% recycled plastic materials. Lids shall be black in colour and UV stabilized to a minimum rating of UV8D. The lid shall be of sufficient strength to support a centred point load having a mass of 60 kg producing a maximum deflection of 100 mm.

Each lid shall have a steel restraining chain for attachment of the lid to the cylinder.

Associated metal hardware for the lids, such as washers, eye bolts, chains, and screws shall be hot dip galvanized according to ASTM A 153 or equivalent electroplated or anodized treated.

753.05.11 Welds

All welding shall be according to CSA W47.1 and CSA W59.

753.07 CONSTRUCTION

753.07.01 General

Connecticut Impact Attenuation Systems shall be installed according to and at locations specified in the Contract Documents.

753.07.02 Concrete Pads and Backwalls

Levelling and site preparation required for the existing granular base shall be performed prior to placing the concrete pad and backwall.

Concrete pads and backwalls shall be constructed as specified in the Contract Documents. Concrete shall be placed, cured, and finished according to OPSS 904. Cross fall of the concrete pad is desirably 6% or less and shall not exceed 10%. All exposed edges of the backwall shall have a 25 mm chamfer. Drilling of anchor holes shall commence a minimum of five days after concrete has been placed.

753.07.03 Granular Base

The granular base below the concrete pad shall be a minimum depth of 150 mm and shall be placed according to OPSS 314. The granular material shall be compacted to 95% of the maximum dry density.

753.07.04 Connection to Barriers

The concrete backwall shall be connected to the barrier as specified in the Contract Documents.

753.07.05 Delineation

Delineation shall be provided as specified in the Contract Documents.

753.07.06 Management of Excess Material

Management of excess material shall be according to the Contract Documents.

753.09 MEASUREMENT FOR PAYMENT

753.09.01 Actual Measurement

753.09.01.01 Connecticut Impact Attenuation System

For measurement purposes, a count shall be made of the number of complete Connecticut Impact Attenuation Systems installed.

753.09.02 Plan Quantity Measurement

When measurement is by Plan Quantity, such measurement shall be based on the units shown in the clauses under Actual Measurement.

753.10 BASIS OF PAYMENT

753.10.01 Connecticut Impact Attenuation System - Item

Payment at the Contract price for the above tender item shall be full compensation for all labour, Equipment, and Material to do the work.

Costs associated with any required removals and replacement or repairs of defective work and materials shall be the Contractor's responsibility at no additional cost to the Owner.

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FOR USE WHILE DESIGNING MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS**

Note: This is a non-mandatory Commentary Appendix intended to provide information to a designer, during the design stage of a contract, on the use of the OPS specification in a municipal contract. This appendix does not form part of the standard specification. Actions and considerations discussed in this appendix are for information purposes only and do not supersede an Owner's design decisions and methodology.

Designer Action/Considerations

The designer should specify the following in the Contract Documents:

- Connecticut Impact Attenuation System locations. (753.07.01)

The designer should determine to which standard Connecticut Impact Attenuation Systems should be installed and specify it in the Contract Documents:

- a) The Connecticut Impact Attenuation System should only be installed at a 10° skew to the centreline of the roadway when the length of the median hazard and the median width can accommodate a Connecticut Impact Attenuation System at each end of the hazard within the limits specified in OPSD 923.245. In this case, the designer should specify that the system be installed according to OPSD 923.245.
- b) The Connecticut Impact Attenuation System should only be installed at a 0° skew to the centreline of the roadway when the length of the median hazard is too long and the median width is too narrow to accommodate a Connecticut Impact Attenuation System at each end of the hazard within the limits specified in OPSD 923.245. In this case, the designer should specify that the system be installed according to OPSD 923.244.

Wherever possible, the designer should eliminate the use of curb with gutter, in advance of and along the length of end treatments and crash cushions. See the MTO Roadside Safety Manual for additional information.

The designer should ensure that the General Conditions of Contract and the 100 Series General Specifications are included in the Contract Documents.

Related Ontario Provincial Standard Drawings

OPSD 923.201	Energy Attenuator, Crash Cushion, Connecticut Impact Attenuation System, Component - Steel Cylinder
OPSD 923.202	Energy Attenuator, Crash Cushion, Connecticut Impact Attenuation System, Component - Polyethylene Lid
OPSD 923.204	Energy Attenuator, Crash Cushion, Connecticut Impact Attenuation System, Component - Concrete Backwall
OPSD 923.242	Energy Attenuator, Crash Cushion, Connecticut Impact Attenuation System, Installation
OPSD 923.244	Energy Attenuator, Crash Cushion, Connecticut Impact Attenuation System, Installation - Long Median Hazard
OPSD 923.245	Energy Attenuator, Crash Cushion, Connecticut Impact Attenuation System, Installation - Short Median Hazard
OPSD 984.205	Energy Attenuator, Crash Cushion, Connecticut Impact Attenuation System, Delineation, Installation - Permanent