

**SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S (SDDOT's) SIGNIFICANT  
REVISIONS (AFTER APRIL 1998)  
TO THE DEFINED WORK CLASSIFICATIONS OF  
THE SDDOT's HIGHWAY-HEAVY WAGE RATES**

**Group  
Code**

- GL1** Blue-top Checker: (stake jumpers) Duties include pulling stakes that have been inserted by the Grade Checker, to keep construction layout stakes away from dirt moving equipment. Duties may include giving hand signals to the grader operator for the depth of a cut needed. (New classification on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision.)
- GL1** Materials Checker: Duties include using a tape measure and directing the trucks dumping granular material to back up, if required. Duties may include bundling the daily weigh delivery tickets for the Superintendent's summary and certification. (New classification on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision.)
- GL2** Special Surface Finish Applicator: Duties include preparing structure surface using sand blaster or power water sprayer to provide absorptive surface and commercial texture finish may be applied by brushing, rolling or by spraying as per manufacturer's recommendations. (New classification on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision.)
- GL3** Oiler-Greaser: (This classification was moved from the GO4 to the GL3 Group Code on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision, to reflect the construction industry's opinion of skill level required to perform this duty.)
- GL6** Grade Checker: (This classification was moved from the GL4 to the GL6 Group Code on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision, to reflect the construction industry's opinion of skill level required to perform this duty. The GL4 Group Code was eliminated on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision.)
- GL6** Painter: (This classification was moved from the GL7 to the GL6 Group Code on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision, to reflect the construction industry's opinion of skill level required to perform this duty. The GL7 Group Code was eliminated on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision.)
- GO3** Material Spreader: (This classification was moved from the GO1 to the GO3 Group Code on the SDDOT's 09-23-1999 Wage Decision, to reflect the construction industry's opinion of skill level required to perform this duty.)
- GL2** Striping: Duties include applying paint pavement markings using a self-propelled pneumatic spraying machine or operates control knobs on the back of a paint truck. (New classification on the SDDOT's 08-24-2000 Wage Decision.)

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- GO1** Paver Feeder: Duties include operating levers of the feeder that is attached to the front of a paving machine to engage the conveyor to pick up the asphalt from the roadbed and feeds the asphalt into the paving machine. (New classification on the SDDOT's 08-24-2000 Wage Decision.)
- GO1** Pugmill: Duties include processing sub-base or base course material by road mix or plant mix methods, which includes operating levers to uniformly feed material into mixer at a pre-determined rate. May oil, grease or otherwise service equipment as needed. (New classification on the SDDOT's 08-24-2000 Wage Decision.)
- GO5** Certified Welder: Duties of a qualified certified welder may include welds of position 3G (vertical) and/or position 4G (overhead) on steel structures. Steel structure welding shall be done in accordance with the latest edition of the ANSI/AASHTO/AWS D1.5 Bridge Welding Code (Code). Approved Welding Procedure Specifications are required for all (steel structure) welding and shall be based upon Procedure Qualification Testing in accordance with the Code. Such welding will not be allowed without a valid Welder Certification Card. (New classification on the SDDOT's 09-27- 2001 Wage Decision.)
- GO1** Skid Steer: Operates a small powered (Bob Cat like) machine that is used to dig, move landscaping and building materials, grade, jackhammer cement, and load trucks. Machine may have other attachments. May oil, grease or otherwise service and make necessary adjustments to equipment as needed. May perform other related duties. (New classification that the DOL approved with South Dakota's Davis-Bacon Highway Heavy Wage decision, dated 10-28-2011.)
- GO3** Rumble Strip Machine: Operates small machines used to cut wide groves on concrete or asphalt. May oil, grease or otherwise service and make necessary adjustments to equipment as needed. May perform other related duties. (New classification that the DOL approved with South Dakota's Davis-Bacon Highway Heavy Wage decision, dated 10-28-2011.)
- GO4** Concrete Pump Truck: Operates a large diesel-powered truck mounting a powerful pump, sectioned hose or cylinder, and cylinder frame used to dispense concrete. May oil, grease or otherwise service and make necessary adjustments to equipment as needed. May perform other related duties. (New classification that the DOL approved with South Dakota's Davis-Bacon Highway Heavy Wage decision, dated 10-28-2011.)