

Why should I use the Master Specifications?

The Master Specifications are designed to streamline and standardize the specification portion of DWSD Engineering's contract document creation process. They cut down on the amount of setup work that the design engineer has to do and give contractors a more consistent set of bid documents for DWSD projects.

Am I required to use the Master Specifications?

Yes. All DWSD Engineering jobs should be issued using the Master Specifications.

The Master Specifications do not cover all of my needs for my project. How do I rectify this situation?

Customization of the Master Specifications is accomplished through the creation of Provisional Specifications. Provisional Specifications are created by the design engineer and typically modify an existing section of the Master Specifications, but could also add an entirely new section.

How will I know when the Master Specifications have been updated?

In general, you should check the DWSD website just before beginning your project for the most recent version of the Master Specifications and Supplemental Specifications. Any recent updates or modifications will also be listed on the main page of the Master Specifications web site.

My printed copy of the Master Specifications looks different than they did on the screen. What happened?

The printed version of the Master Specifications contains some visual security features that are not visible on the on-screen edition. Printing the Master Specifications from the DWSD web site results in a watermarked text message as well as footer text, both confirming the printed version to be an official copy.

Can I obtain a hard copy of the Master Specifications?

Hardcopies of the Master Specifications will not be issued by DWSD for public use. However, you can print your own copy from the pdf file(s) on the DWSD web site.

Will I be able to access prior versions of the Master Specifications?

Yes. Previous versions of the Master Specifications and Supplemental Specifications will be available on the DWSD Web Site.