

Removal of Pavement Markings bears a historical stereotype of a low level importance in being merely incidental to the pavement marking work it supports.

“Let Junior sweep the floor” reflects the mood toward making removal when it comes to planning to choreograph the various trades in given traffic switch. They don’t realize, and the standard spec does not elevate, the need to give ample consideration to the amount of work required to mitigate the final aesthetics a ghost line will make upon the finished quality of the removal. This is due in part to their busy schedules and highly choreographed traffic switches. The current water blasting removal spec does not command adequate shift planning for delivering the finest this discipline is capable of.



**Make Removal More
Important**

RESPECT THE
PAVEMENT



This low level importance originates in the lack of a higher tier specification to emphasize a certain outcome. A premium outcome is not always necessary nor worth the burden it adds to cost and time constraints. Yet there are valid and important cases where a higher result would be very beneficial. This should be considered as a mid-point between the low quality finish of the generic spec and the ultra fine quality and highcosts of using cover tape and temporary tape.

Even while the industry’s overseers are very interested in finding solutions to removing pavement markings without creating the illusion of a conflicting marking, the water blasting specification has not been developed to reflect and produce better results.

You can help provide better results with a better spec.