

703-R-724 REINFORCING BARS

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The Standard Specifications are revised as follows:

SECTION 703 BEGIN LINE 57, DELETE AND INSERT AS FOLLOWS:

All dimensions shown on the plans for spacing of reinforcing bars apply to centers of bars unless otherwise noted. All bars shall be accurately placed and, during placing of the concrete, held firmly in the position as shown on the plans. Distances from the forms shall be maintained by means of chairs, ties, hangers, or other approved support devices. All reinforcing bars shall be wired rigidly or fastened securely at sufficient intervals to hold the bars in place. *Epoxy coated reinforcing bars shall be tied with epoxy coated or plastic coated tie wire.* Chairs and supports holding upper layers of reinforcing bars shall support the transverse bars. The upper layer of reinforcing bars in *RCBAs and bridge floors* shall be tied or fastened at ~~such intervals as necessary~~ *a minimum of every other intersection of the longitudinal and transverse bars and the lower layer of reinforcing bars in RCBAs and bridge floors shall be tied or fastened at a minimum of every other intersection of the longitudinal and transverse bars* to prevent an upward or a lateral movement of a bar from the planned position.
