


DIAMOND COMMENDATIONS A QUALITY PRODUCT FROM A QUALITY FACILITY





The National Asphalt Pavement Association's Diamond Commendation Program, founded in 1999, gives road owners and pavement specifiers confidence that they are dealing with suppliers who operate in alignment with industry best practices. Good pavements cost a lot of money; bad pavements cost even more. By earning Diamond Commendations for Achievement, Quality, and/or Paving, a company demonstrates its commitment to producing a quality product at a quality facility.

About the Diamond Commendation Program

The Diamond Commendations — Diamond Achievement, Diamond Quality, and Diamond Paving — encourage and recognize excellence in operations, production, and placement. Continuous improvement in all aspects of operations is the goal of the program. The commendations are self-assessments that require third-party verification by community leaders, customers, or other individuals not directly affiliated with the company.

 The **Diamond Achievement Commendation** covers operations both at the manufacturing plant and around the plant site. Aspects addressed include appearance, operations, environmental practices, safety, permitting and regulatory compliance, and community relations.

 The **Diamond Quality Commendation** deals with the quality of the material produced. Areas evaluated include quality management, RAP and aggregate handling, asphalt storage, drying and mixing, air quality, truck scales, silos, and control rooms.

 The **Diamond Paving Commendation** is designed for paving crews. Areas evaluated include training of supervisors and crew members, use of best practices in paving, and compliance.

Taken together, the three commendations provide a blueprint for excellence for the asphalt pavement industry, from the plant to the paving site.

Email diamond@asphaltpavement.org for details.

Why Work With Diamond Commendation Recipients?

- ◆ Diamond Commendation recipients follow a rigorous blueprint for excellence to earn the commendation. These are companies that are committed to producing a quality product at a quality facility. The Diamond Commendations outline industry best practices in plant operations, asphalt mix product, and laydown procedures. Companies that earn a Diamond Commendation are putting to use the practices known to produce good roads and pavements.
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- ◆ The Diamond Achievement Commendation signifies a company's commitment to excellence in environmental practices at its plant site and to being a good neighbor and a part of the local community.

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