

type as to insure the maintenance of the correct proportions of the ingredients. The mixing shall continue for at least one minute after all the ingredients are in the mixer.

b. When coloring pigments are added to the mix the time of mixing shall be increased to at least two (2) minutes after all the ingredients are in the mixer.

19. Placing

a. Concrete shall be placed three (3) inches thick on which the reinforcing shall be laid and the placing of the concrete immediately continued to the established grade.

b. When concreting is once started, it shall be carried on as a continuous operation until the placing of one block is completed.

c. Where more than one court is built, the concrete shall be placed in alternate blocks.

20. Finishing

a. After the wearing surface has been brought to the established grade by means of a strikeboard, it shall be worked with a wood float in a manner which will compact it and produce a surface free from depressions or inequalities of any kind. After the concrete has hardened sufficiently to prevent fine material from working to the top (when the sheen or shiny film of water on the surface has disappeared) it shall be steel troweled but excessive working shall be avoided.

b. After the surface has been troweled and before the concrete has thoroughly hardened, it shall be lightly brushed in one direction with a fine hair broom.

PROTECTION

21. Protection from Weather

a. The concrete surface must not be damaged or pitted by rain drops and therefore the contractor shall provide and use when necessary, sufficient tarpaulins or other material to completely cover all sections that have been placed within the preceding twelve (12) hours.

22. Curing

a. As soon as each finished court section has hardened sufficiently to prevent damage thereby, the concrete