

DRM Tender Spec Cheat Sheet: MasterFormat Codes for Concrete Cutting & Coring

Read specs faster. Price correctly. Avoid “included / incidental” traps.

Code on drawings/specs

03 82 13 / 038213 – Concrete Core Drilling

- Diamond coring scope: hole sizes/qty, tolerances, reinforcement, patching.
- Often includes locates/scanning, water & slurry handling language.

03 81 xx – Concrete Cutting (number varies)

- Wall sawing, slab/flat sawing, openings, selective removal.
- Look for clauses on silica/noise, protection, working hours, cleanup.

How we use it (bid + execution)

Pricing & risk control

- Price by measurable units: diameter + qty + thickness (or per-hole with max thickness).
- Separate lines: coring, GPR/locates, mobilization, slurry control/cleanup, patching (if required).
- If spec says “no separate payment / incidental”: flag + write an allowance or submit RFI.

Pricing & scope clarity

- Quote by cut length + thickness OR opening sizes (W×H) + access & sequencing.
- State segmentation/haul-out assumptions (piece size, rigging, bins, travel path).
- Priced conditions: night work, short windows, live-building controls.

Minimum info we need to price (from drawings/photos)

- Address + floor/level + hours + loading
- Hole diameters + qty OR cut lengths
- Water source + slurry containment
- Thickness + reinforcement/PT risk
- Opening sizes (W×H) + finish tolerance
- Patching/firestopping responsibility

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Pricing is based on measurable quantities in the tender package (MF 03 82 13 / 03 81 xx). Added openings, increased thickness, unexpected reinforcement/PT/embeds, or access/working-hour changes are treated as a change in scope and quoted prior to work.