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Standard Specification for Asphalt Roll Roofing (Organic Felt)¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers asphalt roofing in sheet form, in widths agreed upon between the purchaser and the producer/supplier, composed of asphalt-saturated organic felt coated on both sides with asphalt. Class M and WS rolls are surfaced on the (exposed) weather side with mineral granules, except for any selvage. Class S rolls are surfaced with powdered talc, mica, or other fine mineral matter to prevent sticking.

1.2 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.4 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

~~D146/D146M~~ [D146/D146M](#) Test Methods for Sampling and Testing Bitumen-Saturated Felts and Woven Fabrics for Roofing and Waterproofing

~~D224~~ [D224](#) Specification for Smooth-Surfaced Asphalt Roll Roofing (Organic Felt) (Withdrawn 2002)³

~~D228/D228M~~ [D228/D228M](#) Test Methods for Sampling, Testing, and Analysis of Asphalt Roll Roofing, Cap Sheets, and Shingles Used in Roofing and Waterproofing

~~D249~~ [D249](#) Specification for Asphalt Roll Roofing (Organic Felt) Surfaced with Mineral Granules (Withdrawn 2002)³

~~D371~~ [D371](#) Specification for Asphalt Roll Roofing (Organic Felt) Surfaced with Mineral Granules; Wide Selvage (Withdrawn 2002)³

~~D1079~~ [D1079](#) Terminology Relating to Roofing and Waterproofing

~~D3019/D3019M~~ [D3019/D3019M](#) Specification for Lap Cement Used with Asphalt Roll Roofing, Non-Fibered, and Fibered

~~D4977/D4977M~~ [D4977/D4977M](#) Test Method for Granule Adhesion to Mineral Surfaced Roofing by Abrasion

~~E96/E96M~~ [E96/E96M](#) Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—Refer to Terminology [D1079](#) for definitions of terms used in this specification.

4. Classification

4.1 Class S (smooth) rolls shall be surfaced with fine mineral matter to prevent sticking.

4.1.1 *Type III*—Minimum net mass per unit area of roofing, 2495 g/m² [51.1 lb/100 ft²].

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

- 4.1.2 *Type IV*—Minimum net mass per unit area of roofing, 1943 g/m² [39.8 lb/100 ft²].
- 4.2 Class M (mineral) rolls shall be surfaced on the weather side with mineral granules, except for any selvage.
- 4.2.1 *Type II*—Minimum net mass of granule-surface portion, 3490 g/m² [71.5 lb/100 ft²].
- 4.3 Class WS (wide selvage) rolls shall be surfaced on the weather side with mineral granules for approximately half the width.
- 4.3.1 *Type III*—Minimum net mass per unit area, 1733 g/m² [35.5 lb/100 ft²].
- 4.3.2 *Type IV*—Minimum net mass per unit area, 2090 g/m² [42.8 lb/100 ft²].

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 In the process of manufacture, a single thickness of dry organic felt shall first be saturated with asphalt. A coating asphalt, compounded with or without a fine mineral stabilizer insoluble in water, shall be applied to one or both sides of the sheet. Class S rolls shall be surfaced on one side with a suitable material to prevent sticking in the roll. Class M and WS rolls shall be covered on the weather side with mineral granules, except for any selvage; the reverse side shall be covered with a suitable material to prevent sticking in the roll.

5.2 The felt shall be roofing felt primarily composed of organic fibers. The surface of the felt shall be uniformly and relatively smooth. Upon splitting or tearing on the bias, the felt shall appear reasonably free of lumps or particles of foreign substances.

6. Physical Properties

6.1 Class S rolls shall conform to the breaking strength and water permeance requirements prescribed in **Table 1**.

6.2 Upon being unrolled, the finished product shall not crack at ambient temperatures above 10°C [50°F] nor be so sticky at any temperature below 60°C [140°F] as to cause tearing or material damage.

TABLE 1 Specifications for Asphalt Roll Roofing

Class	S	S	M	WS	WS
	III	IV	II	III	IV
Minimum net mass per unit area (of granule-surfaced portion for Classes M, and WS), g/m ² [lb/100 ft ²]	2495 [51.1]	1943 [39.8]	3490 [71.5]	1733 [35.5]	2090 [42.8]
Minimum net mass per standard roll, average kg [lb]:					
no selvage	N/A	N/A	36.5 [80.3]	N/A	N/A
2-in. selvage	N/A	N/A	35.6 [78.3]	N/A	N/A
4-in. selvage	N/A	N/A	36.5 [80.2]	N/A	N/A
wide selvage	N/A	N/A	N/A	19.1 [42.0]	22.0 [48.5]
wide selvage	N/A	N/A	N/A	19.1 [42.0]	22.0 [48.5]
Minimum mass of desaturated, moisture-free felt, g/m ² [lb/100 ft ²]	440 [9.0]	250 [5.2]	440 [9.0]	322 [6.6]	440 [9.0]
Minimum mass of asphalt saturant, soluble in 1,1,1-trichloroethane, based on the mass of desaturated, moisture free felt, % ^A	150	120	150	140	150
Minimum mass of coating, surfacing (talc, both sides) and mineral stabilizer, g/m ² [lb/100 ft ²]	879 [18.0]	879 [18.0]	N/A	N/A	N/A
Maximum mass of mineral matter passing a 212-µm [No. 70] sieve, based on mass of the coating and surfacing (talc, both sides), %	60	60	60	60	60
Maximum % moisture at time of manufacture	3	3	3	3	3
Minimum mass of weather side coating and mineral stabilizer (excluding surfacing; talc and/or granules), g/m ² [lb/100 ft ²], [maximum g/m ² [lb/100ft ²]]	N/A	N/A	903 [18.5] [1582[32.4]]	903 [18.5] [1582[32.4]]	903 [18.5] [1582[32.4]]
Minimum mass of weather side coating and mineral stabilizer (excluding surfacing; talc and/or granules), g/m ² [lb/100 ft ²], [maximum g/m ² [lb/100ft ²]]	N/A	N/A	903 [18.5] [1582[32.4]]	903 [18.5] [1582[32.4]]	903 [18.5] [1582[32.4]]
Minimum mass of mineral matter passing a 3.35-mm [No. 6] sieve and retained on a 212-µm [No. 70] sieve, g/m ² [lb/100 ft ²] ^B	N/A	N/A	1171 [24.0]	903 [18.5]	903 [18.5]
Maximum weight of displaced granules, g	N/A	N/A	1.0	1.0	1.0
Minimum breaking strength with fiber grain, kN/m of width [lb/in. of width]	7.9 [45.0]	6.1 [35.0]	N/A	N/A	N/A
Maximum vapor transmission (permeance), ng/Pa·s·m ² [grains/h·ft ² ·in. Hg]	29 [0.5]	29 [0.5]	N/A	N/A	N/A

^A For Class S rolls, the mass of saturant shall not be less than 1.2 times the mass of the dry felt for Type IV with a saturation efficiency of not less than 70 %.

^B Granule-surfaced portion only.