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Standard Specification for *n*-Propyl Acetate (96 % Grade)¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers *n*-propyl acetate (96 % grade).

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard. No other units of measurement are included in this standard.

1.3 The following applies to all specified limits in this standard: for purposes of determining conformance with this standard, an observed value or a calculated value shall be rounded off “to the nearest unit” in the last right-hand digit used in expressing the specification limit, in accordance with the rounding-off method of Practice E29.

1.4 For specific hazard information and guidance, see the supplier’s Material Safety Data Sheet for material listed in this specification.

1.5 *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

[D268 Guide for Sampling and Testing Volatile Solvents and Chemical Intermediates for Use in Paint and Related Coatings and Material](#)

[D1078 Test Method for Distillation Range of Volatile Organic Liquids](#)

[D1209 Test Method for Color of Clear Liquids \(Platinum-Cobalt Scale\)](#)

[D1353 Test Method for Nonvolatile Matter in Volatile Solvents for Use in Paint, Varnish, Lacquer, and Related Products](#)

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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.

[D1364 Test Method for Water in Volatile Solvents \(Karl Fischer Reagent Titration Method\)](#)

[D1476 Test Method for Heptane Miscibility of Lacquer Solvents](#)

[D1613 Test Method for Acidity in Volatile Solvents and Chemical Intermediates Used in Paint, Varnish, Lacquer, and Related Products](#)

[D3545 Test Method for Alcohol Content and Purity of Acetate Esters by Gas Chromatography](#)

[D4052 Test Method for Density, Relative Density, and API Gravity of Liquids by Digital Density Meter](#)

[D5386 Test Method for Color of Liquids Using Tristimulus Colorimetry](#)

[E29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications](#)

[E300 Practice for Sampling Industrial Chemicals](#)

2.2 *U.S. Federal Specification:*³

[PPP-C-2020 Chemicals, Liquid, Dry, and Paste: Packaging of](#)

3. Properties

3.1 *n*-Propyl acetate shall conform to the following requirements:

Apparent specific gravity:	
20/20 °C	0.885 to 0.890
	or
25/25 °C	0.880 to 0.885
Color Pt-Co units, max (Note 1)	15 platinum-cobalt scale
Distillation, °C at 760 mmHg	
Initial boiling point, min	96
Dry point, max	103
Nonvolatile matter, mg/100 ml, max	5
Water, wt %, max (Note 2)	0.1
Acidity (free acid as acetic acid), wt %, max	0.01
Purity, wt %, min	96.0

NOTE 1—Instrumental Pt-Co color determined by Test Method D5386 has been shown to have no statistically significant difference from Pt-Co color determined by Test Method D1209. However, it is not known whether *n*-propyl acetate was part of the sample set included in the interlaboratory study.

NOTE 2—In some cases, Test Method D1476 may serve as a useful alternative method to determine the presence of water. Because it is a

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