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Standard Practice for Operating Light- and Water-Exposure Apparatus (Unfiltered Open-Flame Carbon-Arc Type) for Testing Paint, Varnish, Lacquer, and Related Products Using the Dew Cycle¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This practice covers the specific variations in test conditions that are applicable when Method 2 in Practice G 23 is employed for the exposure of paint and related coatings and materials using the dew cycle with unfiltered open-flame carbon arc.

Note 1—Another procedure for exposing these products is covered by Practice D 822 in which specimens are subjected to radiation from the filtered open-flame carbon arc. The filters in Practice D 822 remove some of the shorter wavelength ultraviolet radiation not normally received at the earth's surface.

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

2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:
- D 523 Test Method for Specular Gloss²
- D 609 Practice for Preparation of Cold-Rolled Steel Panels for Testing Paint, Varnish, Conversion Coatings, and Related Coating Products²
- D 610 Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Rusting on Painted Steel Surfaces³
- D 660 Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Checking of Exterior Paints²
- D 661 Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Cracking of Exterior Paints²
- D 662 Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Erosion of Exterior Paints²
- D 714 Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Blistering of Paints²
- D 772 Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Flaking (Scaling) of Exterior Paints²
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 - ² Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 06.01.
 - ³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 06.02.

- D 822 Practice for Conducting Tests on Paint and Related Coatings and Materials Using Filtered Open-Flame Carbon-Arc Light- and Water-Exposure Apparatus²
- D 823 Test Methods for Producing Films of Uniform Thickness of Paint, Varnish, Lacquer, and Related Products on Test Panels²
- D 1005 Test Methods for Measurement of Dry-Film Thickness of Organic Coatings Using Micrometers²
- D 1186 Test Methods for Nondestructive Measurement of Dry Film Thickness of Nonmagnetic Coatings Applied to a Ferrous Base²
- D 1212 Test Methods for Measurement of Wet Film Thickness of Organic Coatings²
- D 1400 Test Method for Nondestructive Measurement of Dry Film Thickness of Nonconductive Coatings Applied to a Nonferrous Metal Base²
- D 1729 Practice for Visual Evaluation of Color Differences of Opaque Materials²
- D 1730 Practices for Preparation of Aluminum and Aluminum-Alloy Surfaces for Painting⁴
- D 1731 Practices for Preparation of Hot-Dip Aluminum Surfaces for Painting⁴
- D 1732 Practices for Preparation of Magnesium Alloy Surfaces for Painting⁴
- D 2092 Practices for Preparation of Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Steel Surfaces for Painting³
- D 2244 Test Method for Calculation of Color Differences from Instrumentally Measured Color Coordinates²
- D 2616 Test Method for Evaluation of Visual Color Difference with a Gray Scale²
- D 4214 Test Methods for Evaluating Degree of Chalking of Exterior Paint Films²
- D 4587 Practice for Conducting Tests on Paint and Related Coatings and Materials Using a Fluorescent UV-Condensation Light-and-Water Exposure Apparatus²
- E 97 Test Method for Directional Reflectance Factor, 45deg 0-deg, of Opaque Specimens by Broad-Band Filter Reflectometry⁵
- G 23 Practice for Operating Light-Exposure Apparatus (Carbon-Arc Type) With and Without Water for Exposure

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 02.05.

⁵ Discontinued; see 1992 Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.02.