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Standard Practice for Effect of Moisture and Temperature on Adhesive Bonds¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This practice defines conditions for determining the performance of adhesive bonds when subjected to continuous exposure at specified conditions of moisture and temperature. The performance is expressed as a percentage based on the ratio of strength retained after exposure to the original strength.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as the standard. The values given in parentheses are provided for information purposes only.

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 and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

D897 Test Method for Tensile Properties of Adhesive Bonds

D903 Test Method for Peel or Stripping Strength of Adhesive Bonds

D906 Test Method for Strength Properties of Adhesives in Plywood Type Construction in Shear by Tension Loading

D907 Terminology of Adhesives

D1002 Test Method for Apparent Shear Strength of Single-Lap-Joint Adhesively Bonded Metal Specimens by Tension Loading (Metal-to-Metal)

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—Many of the terms in this practice are defined in Terminology D907.

¹ This practice is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee D14 on Adhesives and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee D14.80 on Metal Bonding Adhesives.

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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.

4. Significance and Use

4.1 This practice may be used to determine the performance, for suitable materials, in terms of any desired strength property of adhesive bonds. Test conditions of temperature and moisture only are here specified. The duration of exposure is dependent upon the nature of the adhesive and the type of specimens and will, therefore, be covered by material specifications.

5. Apparatus

5.1 *Conditioning Cabinets or Ovens*, with temperature and humidity control.

6. Test Specimens

6.1 Prepare the test specimens in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer of the adhesive. The specimens should be of a suitable form and number to meet the requirements of the investigation. The specimens should conform in detail with the requirements prescribed in the ASTM test method covering the desired strength property, as listed in Section 2, and any other ASTM test method pertaining to strength properties of adhesives for the desired strength test.

6.2 Matched specimens should be selected for control and exposure treatments, the number to be fixed by the variability inherent in the method.

7. Conditioning

7.1 *Preconditioning*—Condition all specimens for 7 days at $50 \pm 2\%$ relative humidity and $23 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ ($73.4 \pm 1.8^\circ\text{F}$) immediately prior to exposure, or prior to testing in the case of control specimens. Prior history of the test specimens should be known and recorded.

7.2 *Exposure Conditions*—The exposure conditions should conform to one of the standard test exposures given in Table 1.

8. Procedure

8.1 Test the control specimens for strength by the appropriate test method immediately after the preconditioning period. Average the values obtained. Record this average as the *original strength* against which the strength after exposure is to be compared in calculating performance.

8.2 Subject the preconditioned specimens to the designated exposure conditions (Table 1) for the length of time prescribed