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Standard Test Method for Effect of Household Chemicals on Clear and Pigmented Organic Finishes¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This test method covers determination of the effect of household chemicals on clear and pigmented organic finishes, resulting in any objectionable alteration in the surface, such as discoloration, change in gloss, blistering, softening, swelling, loss of adhesion, or special phenomena.

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

D609 Practice for Preparation of Cold-Rolled Steel Panels for Testing Paint, Varnish, Conversion Coatings, and Related Coating Products

3. Summary of Test Method

3.1 Three test methods, each of which is particularly applicable to individual reagents under study, are described as follows:

3.1.1 *Spot Test, Covered*—The reagent is placed on the test surface and immediately covered with a watch glass.

3.1.2 *Spot Test, Open*—The test surface is subjected directly to the effect of substance, such as citrus fruit, oils, greases, beverages, etc.

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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.

3.1.3 *Immersion Test*—A suitably prepared panel is immersed in the test reagent.

4. Significance and Use

4.1 Resistance to various liquids used in the home is an important characteristic of organic finishes. These test methods provide the means by which the relative performance of coating systems may be evaluated. It should be recognized that continuous films are necessary for reliable results.

5. Test Panels

5.1 *Steel Panels*—See Practice D609.

5.2 *Other Metal Panels*, as agreed upon by the purchaser and the seller of the finish being tested.

6. Reagents

6.1 The choice of reagent shall be governed by ultimate coating use and by agreement between the purchaser and the seller of the finish being tested. The following reagents are suggested:

6.1.1 *Distilled Water*, cold.

6.1.2 *Distilled Water*, hot.

6.1.3 *Ethyl Alcohol (50 % volume)*.

6.1.4 *Vinegar (3 % acetic acid)*.

6.1.5 *Alkali Solution*.

6.1.6 *Acid Solution*.

6.1.7 *Soap Solution*.

6.1.8 *Detergent Solution*.

6.1.9 *Lighter Fluid and Other Volatile Reagents*.

6.1.10 *Fruit*—Piece of cut fruit, with cut portion placed face down on panel.

6.1.11 *Oils and Fats*—Butter, margarine, lard, shortening, vegetable oils, etc.

6.1.12 *Condiments*—Mustard, catsup (ketchup).

6.1.13 *Beverages*—Coffee, tea, cocoa.

6.1.14 *Lubricating Oils and Greases*.

6.1.15 *Other Reagents*, as agreed upon between the purchaser and the seller.