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Standard Test Method for Color and Strength of Color Pigments by Use of a Miniature Sandmill¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This test method covers the determination, through the use of a miniature sandmill, of the color and strength of dry color pigments.

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.* For specific hazard statements, see Section 6.

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

[C778 Specification for Standard Sand](#)

[D235 Specification for Mineral Spirits \(Petroleum Spirits\) \(Hydrocarbon Dry Cleaning Solvent\)](#)

[D523 Test Method for Specular Gloss](#)

[D2244 Practice for Calculation of Color Tolerances and Color Differences from Instrumentally Measured Color Coordinates](#)

[E97 Method of Test for Directional Reflectance Factor, 45-Deg 0-Deg, of Opaque Specimens by Broad-Band](#)

[Filter Reflectometry \(Withdrawn 1991\)](#)³

[E308 Practice for Computing the Colors of Objects by Using the CIE System](#)

2.2 *Federal Specification:*⁴

[TT-R-266 Resin, Alkyd; Solutions](#)

2.3 *ASTM Adjuncts:*

Miniature sandmill⁵

3. Significance and Use

3.1 This test method is a way of testing the color and strength of pigments by use of a miniature sandmill. It correlates well with industrial practice and is used for routine quality control.

4. Apparatus

4.1 *Balance*, sensitive to 10 mg with a capacity in excess of 300 g.

4.2 *Miniature Sandmill*—A laboratory disperser equipped with a 41-mm (1 $\frac{5}{8}$ -in.) diameter fiber rotary disk impeller rotating at a constant 8000 r/min under varying load conditions. The shaft upon which the impeller is mounted shall be sufficiently balanced so no whip of the shaft is observed between 0 and 10 000 r/min.

4.3 *Cylinder*, 100-mL graduated.

4.4 *Beakers*, 200-mL tall-form, stainless steel, or polyethylene (approximately 60-mm inside diameter).

4.5 *Strainers*, paper cone, disposable, about 40 mesh.

4.6 *Fiber Disks*, 41-mm (1 $\frac{5}{8}$ -in.) diameter phenolic laminated, 6 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ in.) thick.⁶

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

⁴ Available from Standardization Documents Order Desk, DODSSP, Bldg. 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5098, <http://dodssp.daps.dla.mil>.

⁵ Drawings are available from ASTM International Headquarters. Order Adjunct [ADJD3022](#).

⁶ The sole source of supply of the disks known to the committee at this time is Gardner/BYK-Gardner, Inc., Gardner Laboratory, 2435 Linden Lane, Silver Spring, MD 20910. If you are aware of alternative suppliers, please provide this information to ASTM International Headquarters. Your comments will receive careful consideration at a meeting of the responsible technical committee,¹ which you may attend.

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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.

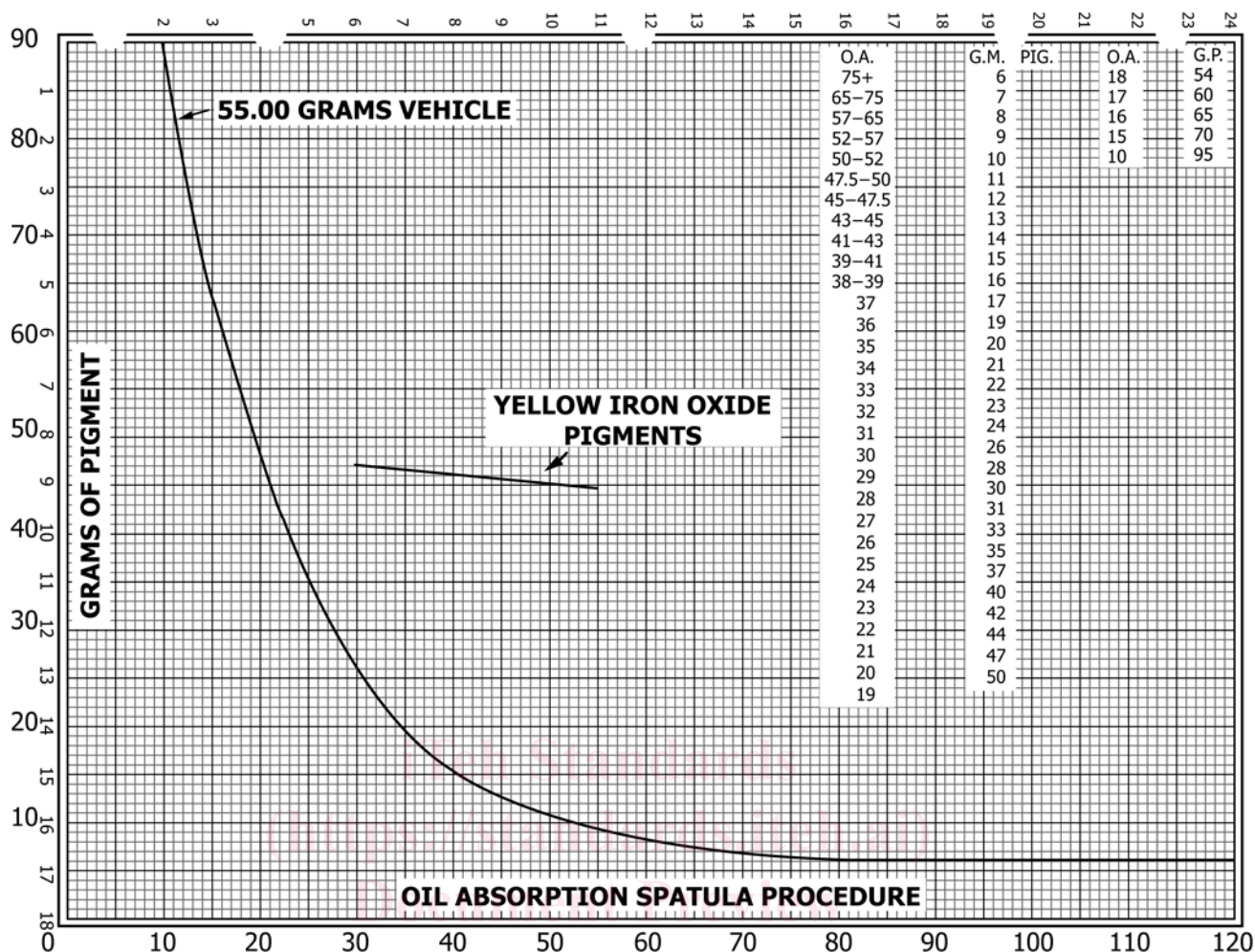


FIG. 1 Oil Absorption Spatula Procedure

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4.7 *Paper Charts*, smooth, surface-coated, the surface of which should be impervious to paint liquids.⁷

4.8 *Film Applicator*, with an 200-µm (8-mil) clearance at least 75 mm (3 in.) wide.

4.9 *Color-Measuring Instruments*, as defined in Test Method E97 or Practice E308.

5. Materials

5.1 Samples of standard reference pigments as agreed upon between the purchaser and the seller.

5.2 *Standard Sand*⁸—Regular 20 to 30-mesh (850 to 600-µm) cement testing sand conforming to Specification C778.

The sand shall be screened to remove all sub 30-mesh particles. Twenty to thirty-mesh glass beads may be used instead of sand.⁹

5.3 *Grinding Vehicle*—A long oil alkyd¹⁰ meeting U.S. Fed. Spec. TT-R-266 Type 1-A reduced to 47 % solids with mineral spirits conforming to Specification D235 (2 parts alkyd and 1 part mineral spirits by weight).

5.4 *White Tinting Paint*—A flat white tinting paint compatible with the dispersion vehicle meeting the following requirements.

5.4.1 *Gloss (60°)* less than 4, as determined by Test Method D523.

5.4.2 *Contrast Ratio (51-µm (2-mil) dry film)*: 99.2 min.

⁷ The sole source of supply of the white and black charts known to the committee at this time is the Leneta Co., 15 Whitney Rd., Mahwah, NJ 07430. If you are aware of alternative suppliers, please provide this information to ASTM International Headquarters. Your comments will receive careful consideration at a meeting of the responsible technical committee,¹ which you may attend.

⁸ The sole source of supply of the sand known to the committee at this time is Agsco Division, American Graded Sand Co., 189 E. 7th St., Patterson, NJ 07524. If you are aware of alternative suppliers, please provide this information to ASTM International Headquarters. Your comments will receive careful consideration at a meeting of the responsible technical committee,¹ which you may attend.

⁹ The sole source of supply of the glass beads known to the committee at this time is Quackenbusch Co., P. O. Box 607, Palatine, IL 60067. If you are aware of alternative suppliers, please provide this information to ASTM International Headquarters. Your comments will receive careful consideration at a meeting of the responsible technical committee,¹ which you may attend.

¹⁰ A long oil soya or safflower alkyd at 70 % solids with the following characteristics: Nonvolatile 70 ± 1 %, phthalic anhydride 23 % min, fatty acids 60 to 65 %, dihydric alcohol 4 % max, acid number 5 to 10, specific gravity 0.950-0.970, Gardner color 10.