

StandardSpecification for Xylenes for *p*-Xylene Feedstock¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers xylenes for *p*-xylene feedstock. These xylenes typically are extracted from reformate.

1.2 The following applies to all specified limits in this specification: for purposes of determining conformance with this specification, an observed value or 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.

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

1.4 Consult current OSHA regulations, suppliers' Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS), and local regulations for all materials used in this specification.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

- D850 Test Method for Distillation of Industrial Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Related Materials
- D1209 Test Method for Color of Clear Liquids (Platinum-Cobalt Scale)
- D3437 Practice for Sampling and Handling Liquid Cyclic Products
- D5194 Test Method for Trace Chloride in Liquid Aromatic Hydrocarbons
- D5386 Test Method for Color of Liquids Using Tristimulus Colorimetry
- D5808 Test Method for Determining Chloride in Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Related Chemicals by Microcoulometry
- D6069 Test Method for Trace Nitrogen in Aromatic Hydro-

carbons by Oxidative Combustion and Reduced Pressure Chemiluminescence Detection

- D6563 Test Method for Benzene, Toluene, Xylene (BTX) Concentrates Analysis by Gas Chromatography
- D7183 Test Method for Determination of Total Sulfur in Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Related Chemicals by Ultraviolet Fluorescence
- D7184 Test Method for Ultra Low Nitrogen in Aromatic Hydrocarbons by Oxidative Combustion and Reduced Pressure Chemiluminescence Detection
- D7359 Test Method for Total Fluorine, Chlorine and Sulfur in Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Their Mixtures by Oxidative Pyrohydrolytic Combustion followed by Ion Chromatography Detection (Combustion Ion Chromatography-CIC)
- D7457 Test Method for Determining Chloride in Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Related Chemicals by Microcoulometry
- D7504 Test Method for Trace Impurities in Monocyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons by Gas Chromatography and Effective Carbon Number
- D7536 Test Method for Chlorine in Aromatics by Mono-Chromatic Wavelength Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence
- E29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications
- 2.2 Other Document:
- OSHA Regulations, 29 CFR paragraphs 1910.1000 and 1910.1200 ³

3. Properties

3.1 Xylenes for *p*-xylene feedstock shall conform to the following requirements:

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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.

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