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APPENDIX A TO SUBPART PPPP OF PART 63—DETERMINATION OF WEIGHT VOLATILE MATTER CONTENT AND WEIGHT SOLIDS CONTENT OF REACTIVE ADHESIVES

1.0 APPLICABILITY AND PRINCIPLE

1.1 Applicability: This method applies to the determination of weight volatile matter content and weight solids content for most one-part or multiple-part reactive adhesives. Reactive adhesives are composed, in large part, of monomers that react during the adhesive curing reaction, and, as a result, do not volatilize. The monomers become integral parts of the cured adhesive through chemical reaction. At least 70 weight percent of the system, excluding water and non-volatile solids such as fillers, react during the process. This method is not appropriate for cyanoacrylates. For cyanoacrylates, South Coast Air Quality Management District Test Method 316B should be used. This method is not appropriate for one-part moisture cure urethane adhesives or for silicone adhesives. For one-part moisture cure urethane adhesives and for silicone adhesives, EPA Method 24 should be used.

1.2 Principle: One-part and multiple-part reactive adhesives undergo a reactive conversion from liquid to solid during the application and assembly process. Reactive adhesives are applied to a single surface, but then are usually quickly covered with another mating surface to achieve a bonded assembly. The monomers employed in such systems typically react and are converted to non-volatile solids. If left uncovered, as in a Method 24 (ASTM D5889) test, the reaction is inhibited by the presence of oxygen and volatile loss of the reactive components competes more heavily with the cure reaction. If this were to happen under normal use conditions, the adhesives would not provide adequate performance. This method minimizes this undesirable deterioration of the adhesive performance.

2.0 MATERIALS AND APPARATUS

2.1 Aluminum foil, aluminum sheet, non-leaching plastic film or non-leaching plastic sheet, approximately 3 inches by 3 inches. Precondition the foil, film, or sheet for 30 minutes in an oven at 110 ± 5 degrees Celsius and store in a desiccator prior to use. Use tongs or rubber gloves or both to handle the foil, film, or sheet.

2.2 Flat, rigid support panels slightly larger than the foil, film, or sheet. Polypropylene with a minimum thickness of ¼ inch is recommended for the support panels. Precondition the support panels for 30 minutes in an oven at 110 ± 5 degrees Celsius and store in a desiccator prior to use. Use tongs or rubber gloves or both to handle the support panels.

2.3 Aluminum spacers, ½ inch thick. Precondition the spacers for 30 minutes at 110 ± 5 degrees Celsius and store in a desiccator prior to use. Use tongs or rubber gloves or both to handle the spacers.


2.5 Electronic balance capable of weighing to ±0.0001 grams (0.1 mg).

2.6 Flat bottom weight (approximately 3 lbs) or clamps.

Material and Apparatus Notes

1. The foil, film, or sheet should be thick or rigid enough so that it can be easily handled in the test procedure.

3.0 PROCEDURE

3.1 Two procedures are provided. In Procedure A the initial specimen weight is determined by weighing the foil, film, or sheet before and after the specimen is dispensed onto the foil, film, or sheet. In Procedure B the initial specimen weight is determined by weighing the adhesive cartridge (kit) before and after the specimen is dispensed.

3.2 At least four test specimens should be run for each test material. Run the test at room temperature, 74 degrees Fahrenheit (23 degrees Celsius).

Procedure A

2. Place 2 pieces of aluminum foil (or aluminum sheet, plastic film, or plastic sheet) on scale.
4. Tare balance. 
5. Remove top piece of aluminum foil. 
6. Dispense a 10 to 15 gram specimen of premixed adhesive onto bottom piece of aluminum foil. Place second piece of aluminum foil on top of the adhesive specimen to make a sandwich. 
7. Record weight of sandwich (specimen and aluminum foils). (B). 
8. Remove sandwich from scale, place sandwich between two support panels with aluminum spacers at the edges of the support panels to make a supported sandwich. The spacers provide a standard gap. Take care to mate the edges. 
9. Place the supported sandwich on a flat surface. 
10. Place the weight on top of the supported sandwich to spread the adhesive specimen to a uniform thickness within the sandwich. Check that no adhesive squeezes out from between the pieces of aluminum foil or through tears in the aluminum foil. 
11. Allow to cure 24 hours. 
12. Remove the sandwich from between the support panels. Record the weight of the sandwich. This is referred to as the 24 hr weight. (C). 
13. Bake sandwich at 110 degrees Celsius for 1 hour. 
14. Remove sandwich from the oven, place immediately in a desiccator, and cool to room temperature. Record post bake sandwich weight. (D). 

Procedure B 
2. Place two pieces of aluminum foil (or aluminum sheet, plastic film, or plastic sheet) on scale. 
4. Tare balance. 
5. Place one support panel on flat surface. Place first piece of aluminum foil on top of this support panel. 
6. Record the weight of a pre-mixed sample of adhesive in its container. If dispensing the adhesive from a cartridge (kit), record the weight of the cartridge (kit) plus any dispensing tips. (F). 
7. Dispense a 10 to 15 gram specimen of mixed adhesive onto the first piece of aluminum foil. Place second piece of aluminum foil on top of the adhesive specimen to make a sandwich. 
8. Record weight of the adhesive container. If dispensing the adhesive from a cartridge (kit), record the weight of the cartridge (kit) plus any dispensing tips. (G). 
9. Place the aluminum spacers at the edges of the bottom support panel polypropylene sheet. The spacers provide a standard gap. 
10. Place the second support panel on top of the assembly to make a supported sandwich. Take care to mate the edges. 
11. Place the supported sandwich on a flat surface. 
12. Place the weight on top of the supported sandwich to spread the adhesive specimen to a uniform thickness within the sandwich. Check that no adhesive squeezes out from between the pieces of aluminum foil or through tears in the aluminum foil. 
13. Allow to cure 24 hours. 
14. Remove the sandwich from between the support panels. Record the weight of the sandwich. This is referred to as the 24 hr weight. (C). 
15. Bake sandwich at 110 degrees Celsius for 1 hour. 
16. Remove sandwich from the oven, place immediately in a desiccator, and cool to room temperature. 
17. Record post-bake sandwich weight. (D). 

Procedural Notes 
1—The support panels may be omitted if the aluminum foil (or aluminum sheet, plastic film, or plastic sheet) will not tear and the adhesive specimen will spread to a uniform thickness within the sandwich when the flat weight is placed directly on top of the sandwich. 
2—Clamps may be used instead of a flat bottom weight to spread the adhesive specimen to a uniform thickness within the sandwich. 
3—When dispensing from a static mixer, purging is necessary to ensure uniform, homogeneous specimens. The weighing in Procedure B, Step 8 must be performed after any purging. 
4—Follow the adhesive manufacturer's directions for mixing and for dispensing from a cartridge (kit). 

4.0 Calculations 
4.1 The total weight loss from curing and baking of each specimen is used to determine the weight percent volatile matter content of that specimen 

Procedure A 
Weight of original specimen \( (S) = (B) - (A) \) 
Weight of post-bake specimen \( (P) = (D) - (A) \) 
Total Weight Loss \( (L) = (S) - (P) \) 

Procedure B 
Weight of original specimen \( (S) = (F) - (G) \) 
Weight of post-bake specimen \( (P) = (D) - (A) \) 
Total Weight Loss \( (L) = (S) - (P) \) 

Procedure A and Procedure B 
Weight Percent Volatile Matter Content \( (V) = [(\text{Total weight loss})(\text{Initial specimen weight})] 	imes 100 = [(L)(S)] 	imes 100 \) 

4.2 The weight volatile matter content of a material is the average of the weight volatile matter content of each specimen of that material. For example, if four specimens of a
material were tested, then the weight percent volatile matter content for that material is:
\[ V = \frac{V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + V_4}{4} \]
Where:
\[ V_i \] = the weight percent volatile matter content of specimen \( i \) of the material.

4.3 The weight percent solids content of the material is calculated from the weight percent volatile content of the material.

\[ \text{Weight Percent Solids Content (N)} = 100 - (V) \]

Calculation Notes
1—The weight loss during curing and the weight loss during baking may be calculated separately. These values may be useful for identifying sources of variation in the results obtained for different specimens of the same material.
2—For both Procedure A and Procedure B, the weight loss during curing is \( (S) - [(C) - (A)] \) and the weight loss during baking is \( (C) - (D) \).

Subpart QQQQ—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Surface Coating of Wood Building Products

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WHAT THIS SUBPART COVERS

§ 63.4680 What is the purpose of this subpart?

This subpart establishes national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for wood building products surface coating sources. This subpart also establishes requirements to demonstrate initial and continuous compliance with the emission limitations.

§ 63.4681 Am I subject to this subpart?

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section, the source category to which this subpart applies is surface coating of wood building products, which means the application of coatings using, for example, roll coaters or curtain coaters in the finishing or laminating of any wood building product that contains more than 50 percent by weight wood or wood fiber excluding the weight of any glass components, and is used in the construction, either interior or exterior, of a residential, commercial, or institutional building. The wood building products source category includes the subcategories listed in paragraphs (a)(1) through (5) of this section.

1. Doors, windows, and miscellaneous. The doors, windows, and miscellaneous subcategory includes doors, windows, finished doorskins, and door and window components such as millwork, moulding, or trim, and other miscellaneous wood building products including, but not limited to, all moulding and trim, shingles, and shutters.

2. Flooring. The flooring subcategory includes solid wood flooring, engineered wood flooring, and wood laminate flooring.

3. Interior wall paneling and tileboard. The interior wall paneling and tileboard subcategory includes interior wall paneling products. Tileboard is a premium interior wall paneling product.

4. Other interior panels. The other interior panel subcategory includes panels that are sold for uses other than interior wall paneling, such as coated particleboard, hardboard, and perforated panels.

5. Exterior siding and primed doorskins. The exterior siding and primed doorskins subcategory includes lap or panel siding, trimboard, and primed doorskins. Doorskins that are coated with more than primer are included in the doors, windows, and miscellaneous subcategory.

(b) You are subject to this subpart if you own or operate a new, reconstructed, or existing affected source, as defined in §63.4682, that uses 4,170 liters (1,100 gallons) per year, or more, of coatings in the source category defined in paragraph (a) of this section and that is a major source, is located at a major source, or is part of a major source of emissions of hazardous air pollutants (HAP). A major source of HAP emissions is any stationary source or group of stationary sources located within a contiguous area and under common control that emits or has the potential to emit any single HAP at a rate of 9.07 megagrams (Mg) (10 tons) or more per year or any combination of HAP at a rate of 22.68 Mg (25 tons) or more per year.

(c) This subpart does not apply to surface coating and other operations