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## SHEET, ACRYLONITRILE BUTADIENE (NBR) RUBBER Non-asbestos Fiber Fuel and Oil Resistant

### 1. SCOPE:

#### 1.1 Form:

This specification covers a compressed non-asbestos fiber and acrylonitrile butadiene (NBR) rubber in the form of sheet.

#### 1.2 Application:

This sheet has been used typically for gaskets, sealing between metal surfaces, in contact with fuels or with lubricating oil up to 150 °C (302 °F), but usage is not limited to such applications.

#### 1.3 Safety-Hazardous Materials:

While the materials, methods, applications, and processes described or referenced in this specification may involve the use of hazardous materials, this specification does not address the hazards which may be involved in such use. It is the sole responsibility of the user to ensure familiarity with the safe and proper use of any hazardous materials and to take necessary precautionary measures to ensure the health and safety of all personnel involved.

### 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:

The following publications form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The latest issue of SAE publications shall apply. The applicable issue of other publications shall be the issue in effect on the date of the purchase order.

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**2.1 SAE Publications:**

Available from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

AMS 2810 Identification and Packaging, Elastomeric Products

**2.2 ASTM Publications:**

Available from ASTM, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1187.

ASTM D 573 Rubber-Deterioration in an Air Oven

ASTM F 36 Compressibility and Recovery of Gasket Materials

ASTM F 146 Fluid Resistance of Gasket Materials

ASTM F 152 Tension Testing of Nonmetallic Gasket Materials

**3. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:****3.1 Materials and Fabrication:**

Shall be composed of non-asbestos fibers, inorganic fillers, and acrylonitrile-butadiene (NBR) rubber bonded and felted together under pressure into a pliable, resilient product.

**3.2 Properties:**

The product shall conform to the requirements shown in Table 1, 3.2.6, 3.2.7, and 3.2.8; tests shall be performed on the product supplied and in accordance with specified ASTM methods, insofar as practicable.

TABLE 1 - Properties

Paragraph	Property	Requirement	Test Method
3.2.1	Tensile Strength, min	1800 psi (12.4 MPa)	ASTM F 152, Method A
3.2.2	Compressibility	7 to 17%	ASTM F 36, Procedure A
3.2.3	Aromatic Fuel Resistance (Immediate Deteriorated Properties)		ASTM F 146 ASTM Ref. Fuel B 20 to 30 °C (68 to 86 °F) 5 hours ± 0.25
3.2.3.1	Tensile Strength Change, max	-50%	
3.2.3.2	Thickness Change (R)	0 to +10%	
3.2.3.3	Weight Change, max	+15%	
3.2.3.4	Compressibility, max	30%	

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TABLE 1 - Properties (Continued)

Paragraph	Property	Requirement	Test Method
3.2.4	Petroleum Hydraulic Oil Resistance: (Immediate Deteriorated Properties)		ASTM F 146 ASTM Oil No.3 150 °C ± 2 (302 °F ± 4) 5 hours ± 0.25
3.2.4.1	Tensile Strength Change, max	-30%	
3.2.4.2	Thickness Change (R)	0 to + 10%	
3.2.4.3	Compressibility, max	30%	
3.2.4.4	Bend	No cracks	4.5.1
3.2.5	Dry Heat Resistance		ASTM D 573 100 °C ± 2 (212 °F ± 4) 16 hours ± 0.25
3.2.5.1	Compressibility	5 to 20%	
3.2.5.2	Bend	No cracks	4.5.1

3.2.6 Delamination: Sheet shall not delaminate, due to sticking, when removed from an assembly, determined by a procedure agreed upon by purchaser and supplier.

3.2.7 Weather Resistance: Sheet shall have weather resistance acceptable to purchaser, determined by a procedure agreed upon by purchaser and supplier.

3.2.8 Corrosion: Sheet shall not have a corrosive effect on other materials when exposed to conditions normally encountered in service, determined by a procedure agreed upon by purchaser and supplier. Discoloration of metal shall not be considered objectionable.

### 3.3 Quality:

Sheet, as received by purchaser, shall be uniform in quality and condition, smooth, as free from foreign material as commercially practicable, and free from imperfections detrimental to usage of the sheet.

### 3.4 Tolerances:

Shall be as shown in Table 2.

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TABLE 2A - Thickness Tolerances, Inch/Pound Units

Nominal Thickness Inch	Tolerance	Tolerance
	Inch Plus	Inch Minus
Up to 0.0156, incl	0.005	0.002
Over 0.0156 to 0.0625, excl	0.005	0.005
0.0625 and over	0.008	0.008

TABLE 2B - Thickness Tolerances, SI Units

Nominal Thickness Millimeters	Tolerance	Tolerance
	Millimeter Plus	Millimeter Minus
Up to 0.396, incl	0.13	0.05
Over 0.396 to 1.588, excl	0.13	0.13
1.588 and over	0.20	0.20

#### 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

##### 4.1 Responsibility for Inspection: (R)

The manufacturer of sheet shall supply all samples for manufacturer's tests and shall be responsible for performing all required tests. Purchaser reserves the right to sample and to perform any confirmatory testing deemed necessary to ensure that the sheet conforms to the requirements of this specification.

##### 4.2 Classification of Tests:

4.2.1 Acceptance Tests: Tests for tensile strength (3.2.1), compressibility (3.2.2), and thickness change after fuel immersion (3.2.3.2) are acceptance tests and shall be performed on each lot.

4.2.2 Preproduction Tests: Tests for all technical requirements are preproduction tests and shall be performed prior to or on the first-article shipment of sheet to a purchaser, when a change in ingredients and/or processing requires reapproval as in 4.4.2, and when purchaser deems confirmatory testing to be required.

4.2.2.1 For direct U.S. Military procurement, substantiating test data and, when requested, preproduction test material shall be submitted to the cognizant agency as directed by the procuring activity, contracting officer, or request for procurement.