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SILICONE RUBBER
General Purpose
(55-65)

1. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT:** A vendor shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.
2. **FORM:** Molded or extruded shapes, sheet, tubing, or as ordered.
3. **APPLICATION:** Primarily for soft rubber-like parts required to operate or seal at temperatures from -65 to +400 F. Silicone rubber is resistant to deterioration by weathering and engine oil, and remains flexible over the temperature range noted. This material is not normally suitable for use in contact with gasoline or aromatic fuels and low aniline point petroleum base fluids due to excessive swelling of the elastomer.
4. **TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:**
 - 4.1 **General:**
 - 4.1.1 **Condition:** Unless otherwise specified, a suitably cured product shall be furnished.
 - 4.1.2 **Weathering:** When specified, the product shall have weather resistance acceptable to the purchaser as determined by a procedure agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.
 - 4.1.3 **Corrosion:** The product shall not have a corrosive effect on other materials when exposed to conditions normally encountered in service. Discoloration of metal shall not be considered cause for rejection.
 - 4.2 **Properties:** The product shall conform to the following requirements; tests shall be performed on the product supplied and in accordance with listed ASTM Methods, insofar as practicable:

| Property | Value | Test Method |
|---|--------|---------------------------|
| 4.2.1 As Received: | | |
| 4.2.1.1 Hardness, Durometer "A" or equiv. | 60 ± 5 | |
| 4.2.1.2 Tensile Strength, psi, min | 400 | ASTM D412-49T, Die B or C |
| 4.2.1.3 Elongation, %, min | 100 | ASTM D412-49T, Die B or C |
| 4.2.1.4 Tear Resistance, lb per in., min | 35 | ASTM D624-48, Die B |

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| Property | Value | Test Method |
|--|----------------------------|--|
| 4.2.2 <u>Lubricating Oil Resistance:</u> (Immediate Deteriorated Properties) | | ASTM D471-51T |
| 4.2.2.1 Hardness Change, Durometer "A" or equiv. | -10 to +5 | Medium: ASTM Oil No. 1 Temperature: 350 F \pm 2 Time: 70 hr |
| 4.2.2.2 Tensile Strength Reduction, %, max (based on area before immersion) | 20 | |
| 4.2.2.3 Elongation Reduction, %, max | 20 | |
| 4.2.2.4 Volume Change (Method A), % | 0 to +10 | |
| 4.2.2.5 Decomposition | None | |
| 4.2.2.6 Surface Tackiness | None | |
| 4.2.3 <u>Dry Heat Resistance:</u> | | ASTM D573-48 |
| 4.2.3.1 Hardness Change, Durometer "A" or equiv. | 0 to +10 | Temperature: 450 F \pm 2 Time: 24 hr |
| 4.2.3.2 Tensile Strength Reduction, %, max | 10 | |
| 4.2.3.3 Elongation Reduction, %, max | 25 | |
| 4.2.3.4 Surface Hardening | None | |
| 4.2.3.5 Bend (flat) | No cracking or checking | |
| 4.2.4 <u>Compression Set:</u> | | ASTM D395-49T, Method B |
| 4.2.4.1 Percent of Original Deflection, max | 60 | Temperature: 350 F \pm 2 Time: 22 hr |
| 4.2.4.2 Percent of Original Thickness, max | 18 | Compressed to 70% of original thickness |
| 4.2.5 <u>Low Temperature Brittleness:</u> | Pass | ASTM D736-46T (See Note 1) Temperature: -70 F \pm 2 Time: 5 hr |

Note 1. To be used only until satisfactory replacement test and values are established.

5. **QUALITY:** The product shall be uniform in quality and condition, clean, smooth, and free from chalky spots, foreign materials and defects detrimental to fabrication, appearance, or performance of parts.

6. TOLERANCES: Unless otherwise specified, the following tolerances apply:

6.1 Sheet:

| Nominal Thickness Inch | Tolerance, Inch Plus and Minus |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1/8 and under | 1/64 |
| Over 1/8 to 1/2, incl | 1/32 |
| Over 1/2 | 3/64 |

6.2 Extrusions: Extrusion tolerances shall be as shown on the extrusion drawing.

6.3 Tubing:

| 6.3.1 | Nominal OD or ID * Inch | Tolerance, Inch Plus and Minus | Ovality (Note 2) |
|-------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| | 1/2 and under | 0.020 | 10% |
| | Over 1/2 to 1, incl | 0.030 | 15% |
| | Over 1 | 4% | 15% |

* Not Both

∅ Note 2. Ovality applies to tubing ordered in straight lengths with wall thickness of 1/16 in. or over, and shall be defined as the difference between the lengths of the major and minor axes of any one cross section of the tube, expressed as a percentage of the nominal diameter.

| 6.3.2 | Nominal Wall Thickness Inch | Tolerance Plus and Minus |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Under 1/16 | 0.005 in. |
| | 1/16 and over | 10% |

7. REPORTS:

7.1 Unless otherwise specified, the vendor of the product shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report stating that the product meets the requirements of this specification. This report shall include the purchase order number, material specification number, vendor's compound number, form or part number, and quantity.

7.2 Unless otherwise specified, the vendor of finished or semi-finished parts shall furnish with each shipment three copies of a report showing the purchase order number, material specification number, contractor or other direct supplier of material, part number, and quantity. When material for making parts is produced or purchased by the parts vendor, that vendor shall inspect each lot of material to determine conformance to the requirements of this specification, and shall include in the report a statement that the material conforms, or shall include copies of laboratory reports showing the results of tests to determine conformance.