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PLASTIC MOLDINGS AND EXTRUSIONS Methyl Methacrylate

1. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT:** A vendor shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.
2. **FORM:** Extrusions, compression moldings, or injection moldings.
3. **APPLICATION:** Primarily for parts requiring good dimensional stability, a ϕ high degree of optical clarity, and good resistance to outdoor weathering.
4. **TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:**
 - 4.1 **General:**
 - 4.1.1 **Color and Condition:** Unless otherwise specified, a colorless, transparent product shall be furnished. When so stipulated, the product shall be furnished transparent, translucent or opaque, in the color specified.
 - 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 ϕ when exposed to conditions normally encountered in service.
 - 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:

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| 4.2.1 | Tensile Strength, psi, min | 5500 | ASTM D638-52T |
| 4.2.2 | Impact Resistance (Notched Izod), ft-lb per in. of notch, min | 0.2 | ASTM D256-47T, Method A |
| 4.2.3 | Specific Gravity, 73.4 F/73.4 F, max | 1.2 | ASTM D792-50, Method A |
| 4.2.4 | Water Absorption (24 hr immersion) | | ASTM D570-42 |
| | % Gain, max | 0.6 | |
| | % Soluble Loss, max | 0.1 | |
| 4.2.5 | Heat Distortion Temperature (264 psi Fiber Stress), deg Fahr, min | 140 | ASTM D648-45T |
| 4.2.6 | Flammability, in. per min., max | 2.4 | ASTM D635-44 ^a |

^a Specimens shall be 1/8 in. thick.

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

6. REPORTS:

6.1 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, size or part number, and quantity.

6.2 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.

7. IDENTIFICATION: Unless otherwise specified, all molded parts of suitable size shall have the part number molded or permanently impressed therein. Extrusions require no identification.

8. PACKAGING:

8.1 Packaging shall be accomplished in such a manner as to ensure that the product, during shipment and storage, will not be permanently distorted, and will be protected against damage from exposure to weather or any normal hazard.

8.2 Each package shall be permanently and legibly marked to give the following information:

PART NUMBER (OR SIZE) _____
COLOR _____
QUANTITY _____
PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER _____
MATERIAL SPECIFICATION _____ AMS 3626B
MANUFACTURER'S IDENTIFICATION _____

9. APPROVAL:

9.1 To assure adequate performance characteristics, compounds shall be approved by purchaser before material for production use is supplied, unless such approval be waived. Results of tests on production material shall be essentially equivalent to those on the approved sample.

9.2 Vendor shall use the same compound and manufacturing processes for production material as for approved sample material. If necessary to make any change in molds, compound or processing, vendor shall obtain written permission from purchaser prior to incorporating such change.