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Standard Test Method for Color Development in Tinted Latex Paints¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This test method covers a procedure for measuring color development in tinted latex paints, for the purpose of determining the efficiency of colorants, the tintability of base paints and the potential for poor color uniformity of applied paint films.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses after SI units are provided for information only and are not considered standard. The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to inch-pound units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.4 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

D16 Terminology for Paint, Related Coatings, Materials, and Applications

D2244 Practice for Calculation of Color Tolerances and Color Differences from Instrumentally Measured Color Coordinates

D3924 Specification for Standard Environment for Condi-

tioning and Testing Paint, Varnish, Lacquer, and Related Materials

D3925 Practice for Sampling Liquid Paints and Related Pigmented Coatings

E284 Terminology of Appearance

E1164 Practice for Obtaining Spectrometric Data for Object-Color Evaluation

E1331 Test Method for Reflectance Factor and Color by Spectrophotometry Using Hemispherical Geometry

E1345 Practice for Reducing the Effect of Variability of Color Measurement by Use of Multiple Measurements

E1347 Test Method for Color and Color-Difference Measurement by Tristimulus Colorimetry

E1349 Test Method for Reflectance Factor and Color by Spectrophotometry Using Bidirectional (45°:0° or 0°:45°) Geometry

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions:*

3.1.1 *color development, n*—the extent to which the colorant has achieved its full tinting potential, as evidenced by the color change or lack thereof, when the tinted paint is subjected to very strong shear stress.

3.1.2 *tintability, n*—the capability of a white or tint base paint to accept various colorants, as evidenced by the color development in the mixture.

3.1.2.1 *Discussion*—Sometimes called “color acceptance.”

3.2 See Terminology **D16**, **E284**, and the *Paint/Coatings Dictionary*³ for definitions of other terms used in this test method.

4. Summary of Test Method

4.1 The test paint is applied by drawing it down on a striped black and white sealed chart, at a film thickness sufficient to obtain full hiding.

4.2 A portion of the drawdown is subjected to strong shearing forces in a prescribed brushing procedure.

4.3 The CIELAB color difference between the drawdown and sheared areas after drying, is reported as a measure of deficiency in the color development of the test paint.

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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.

³ Available from Federation of Societies for Coatings Technology (FSCT), 492 Norristown Rd., Blue Bell, PA 19422-2350, <http://www.coatingstech.org>.