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### SYNTHETIC RUBBER Aromatic Fuel Resistant (65-75)

1. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT:** A vendor shall mention this specification number and its revision letter in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.

2. **FORM:** Sheet, strip, molded shapes, extrusions, or as ordered.

3. **APPLICATION:** Primarily for gaskets, diaphragms, bushings, grommets, sleeves, seals, and packings requiring resistance to aromatic and non-aromatic fuels when continuously or alternately exposed to both.

#### 4. **TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:**

##### 4.1 **General:**

4.1.1 **Weathering:** When specified, the product shall have weather resistance acceptable to the purchaser as determined by a procedure agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.

4.1.2 **Corrosion:** The product shall not have a corrosive or other deleterious effect on other materials when exposed to conditions normally encountered in service. Discoloration of metal shall not be considered objectionable.

4.2 **Properties:** Unless otherwise specified, 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 <b>As Received:</b>                      |            |                         |
| Hardness, Durometer "A" or equiv.              | 70 $\pm$ 5 |                         |
| Tensile Strength, psi, min                     | 1500       | ASTM D412-49T           |
| Elongation, %, min                             | 250        |                         |
| 4.2.2 <b>Non-Aromatic Fuel Resistance:</b>     |            | ASTM D471-49T           |
| (After 24 hr drying at 158 F + 2)              |            | Medium: ASTM Fuel No. 1 |
| Volume Change (Method A), %, max               | -5         | Temperature: 70-85 F    |
|                                                |            | Time: 24 hr             |
| 4.2.3 <b>Aromatic Fuel Resistance:</b>         |            | ASTM D471-49T           |
| (Immediate Deteriorated Properties)            |            |                         |
| Hardness Change, Durometer "A" or equiv.       | 0 to -20   |                         |
| Tensile Strength Reduction, %, max             | 50         | Medium: ASTM Fuel No. 2 |
| (based on area before immersion)               |            | Temperature: 70-85 F    |
| Elongation Reduction, %, max                   | 50         | Time: 168 hr            |
| Volume Change (Method A) in 24 hr, %           | 0 to +45   |                         |
| Volume Change (Method A) in 168 hr, %          | 0 to +45   |                         |
| (calculated on basis of unimmersed volume)     |            |                         |
| Volume Change on Drying (after 168 hr)         |            |                         |
| aromatic fuel immersion) at 158F + 2 for 24 hr |            |                         |
| (based on unimmersed volume)                   | -5         |                         |
| Copper Strip Corrosion                         | None       | Note 1                  |
| Gum Content, %, max                            | 10         | Note 1                  |
| Fuel Insoluble Residue, %, max                 | 0.50       | Note 2                  |

| <u>Property</u>                           | <u>Value</u> | <u>Test Method</u>                   |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| 4.2.4 <u>Dry Heat Resistance:</u>         |              | ASTM D573-48                         |
| Hardness Change, Durometer "A" or equiv.  | 0 to + 10    |                                      |
| Tensile Strength Reduction, %, max        | 20           | Temperature: 212 F $\pm$ 2           |
| Elongation Reduction, %, max              | 40           | Time: 70 hr                          |
| Surface Hardness or Brittleness           | None         |                                      |
| Bend (flat)                               | No cracks    |                                      |
| 4.2.5 <u>Compression Set:</u>             |              | ASTM D395-49T, Method B              |
| Ø Per cent of original deflection, max    | 75           | Temperature: 212 F $\pm$ 2           |
|                                           |              | Time: 70 hr                          |
| Per cent of original thickness, max       | 19           | Compressed to 75% original thickness |
| 4.2.6 <u>Low Temperature Brittleness:</u> | Pass         | ASTM D797-46                         |
|                                           |              | Temperature: -40 F $\pm$ 2           |
|                                           |              | Time: 5 hr                           |

**Note 1:** Copper Strip Corrosion and Gum Content after Aromatic Fuel Immersion:  
 Dice a 10-gram sample into 1/16-in cubes. Place the diced sample and a polished copper strip in a flask containing 250 ml of ASTM Reference Fuel No. 2 and allow flask and contents to stand for 48 hours at 70-85F. The copper strip shall show no corrosion evidenced by discoloration at the end of the 48 hours. Decant the fuel from the flask into an accurately tared glass dish, taking care that no small particles of sample are carried over. Pour 250 ml of unused fuel (the blank) into an identical tared glass dish. Evaporate the fuel in both dishes simultaneously to apparent dryness over a live steam bath and then complete the evaporation in an electric oven at 212 F for 30 minutes. Cool dishes in a desiccator and weigh. Subtract weight of gum in the blank from gross weight of gum in the sample, and from the net weight calculate percentage of gum on the basis of the original sample weight.

**Note 2:** Fuel Insoluble Residue after Aromatic Fuel Immersion:  
 After determination of the gum content as in Note 1, extract the gum remaining in each dish ten times with ASTM Reference Fuel No. 2, using 50-ml portions each time and allowing each portion to soak the gum for not more than 5 minutes. Filter the ten extractions through two weighed Gooch crucibles, one crucible corresponding to each dish. The increase in weight of the Gooch crucible plus the weight of the gum remaining in the corresponding dish is considered to be the weight of the fuel insoluble residue. Subtract weight of insoluble residue in the blank from gross weight of insoluble residue in the sample, and from the net weight calculate percentage of insoluble residue on the basis of the original sample weight.

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