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PLASTIC MOLDINGS, LAMINATED, THERMOSETTING RESIN, Glass Fabric Reinforced Heat Resistant (500 F)

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- ACKNOWLEDGMENT: A vendor shall mention this specification number in all quotations and when acknowledging purchase orders.
- 2. FORM: Pressure bag or matched die laminated moldings.
- APPLICATION: Primarily for parts requiring thermal stability when in continuous service at temperatures up to 500 F or intermittent service up to 1000 F consistent with good mechanical properties.
- TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:
- 4.1 General:
- 4.1.1 Appearance: Unless otherwise specified, the product shall be furnished in its natural color and condition.
- 4.1.2 Glass Fabric Reinforcement: The continuous-filament glass fabric, prior to being resin impregnated, shall have been heat cleaned followed by chemical treatment with a suitable glass fabric finish such as hydrolyzed aminotriethoxysilane. Mat or unidirectional fabrics suitably treated may be used in non-critical areas, as required, for bosses, fill-ins, corner reinforcements, or as thickening agents.
- 4.1.3 Impregnating Resin: The resin used for impregnating the glass reinforcement shall be a heat resistant thermosetting resin formulated to meet the requirements of this specification.
- 4.1.4 Gel Coat: Integrally molded resin gel coats, overlays, or any other surfacing materials shall not be used.
- 4.1.5 Gaps: There shall be no gaps between pieces of glass fabric. Lap widths shall be not less than 1/2 inch.
- 4.1.6 Weathering: When specified, the product shall have weather resistance acceptable to the purchaser as determined by a procedure agreed upon by purchaser and vendor.
- 4.1.7 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 objectionable.

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4.2 Properties: The product shall conform to the requirements of 4.2.1 and shall be capable of meeting the requirements of 4.2.2 in areas having a parallel layup; tests shall be performed on the product supplied and in accordance with listed ASTM methods, insofar as practicable. When the product supplied is a molding having a layup of such configuration that suitable test specimens cannot be cut from the product, a separate flat laminated test sample shall be supplied upon request. This laminated test sample shall be 0.125 + 0.010 in. thick, parallel layup, using the same materials and processes as utilized for production moldings.

4.2.1 As Received: 4.2.1.1 Specific Gravity, 73.4/73.4 F. min 1.9 ASTM D792-60T, Method A 4.2.1.2 Water Absorption (24 hr immersion). ASTM D570-59aT % Gain, max 0.3 4.2.1.3 Tensile Strength, psi, min 40,000 ASTM D651-48 4.2.1.4 Compressive Strength (edgewise), 35,000 ASTM D695-54 psi, min 4.2.1.5 Flexural Strength, psi, min 35,000 ASTM D790-59T 4.2.1.6 Impact Resistance, ft-lb per in. ASTM D256-56, Method A of notch, min 4.2.1.7 Flammability Self-ASTM D635-56T extinguishing 4.2.1.8 Dielectric Constant at 106 cycles, max ASTM D150-59T 6.0 Wet 6.5 4.2.1.9 Dissipation Factor at 10⁶ cycles, max ASTM D150-59T Dry 0.03 Wet 0.04 4.2.1.10 Dielectric Strength, parallel, 40 ASTM D149-59 (Short-Time) ky, min 4.2.2 Dry Heat Resistance: 4.2.2.1 Tensile Strength at 500 F after 1000 10,000 **ASTM D651-48** hr at 500 F, psi, min 4.2.2.2 Compressive Strength (edgewise) at 10,000 ASTM D695-54 500 F after 1000 hr at 500 F, psi, min 4.2.2.3 Flexural Strength at 500 F after 30 75 ASTM D790-59T min. at 500 F, % retained, min 4.2.2.4 Flexural Strength at 500 F after 1000 50 ASTM D790-59T hr at 500 F, % retained, min 4.2.2.5 Impact Resistance at 500 F after 1000 ASTM D256-56, Method A hr at 500 F, ft-lb per in. of notch,

5. QUALITY: The product shall be uniform in quality and condition, clean, smooth, and free from foreign materials and from internal and external imperfections 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 conforms to the requirements of this specification. This report shall include the purchase order number, material specification number, vendor's material designation, form 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 of other direct supplier of material, supplier's material designation, 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 by the purchaser, all parts of suitable size shall have the part number molded or permanently impressed thereon.

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 NUM	BER				
COLOR					***************************************
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9. APPROVAL:

- 9.1 To ensure adequate performance characteristics, material shall be approved by purchaser before material for production 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 compound and manufacturing processes for production material as for approved sample material. If necessary to make any change in compound or processing which could unfavorably affect any characteristics of the material, vendor shall obtain written permission from purchaser prior to incorporating such change.
- 10. <u>REJECTIONS:</u> Material not conforming to this specification or to authorized modifications will be subject to rejection.