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#### **SUBJECT:**

Testing of Solid Surfacing Material

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#### **TESTED FOR:**

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## **SAMPLE DESCRIPTION:**

The following test specimens without gel coat (typical as shown below) were submitted by V Surf Pte Ltd on 26 September 2017 for testing. Detail information of the sample is as follows:

Product: 100% Acrylic Solid Surface material

Brand: Tristone

Country of origin: Korea Color: A-104 Pure White

| Nominal Specimen Dimensions | Quantity | Photograph  |
|-----------------------------|----------|---|
| 400 mm x 150 mm x 12 mm     | 2 pcs    |   |
| 250 mm x 250 mm x 12 mm     | 5 pcs    |   |
| 200 mm x 200 mm x 12 mm     | 2 pcs    |   |
| 150 mm x 150 mm x 12 mm     | 4 pcs    | Typical Specimen  |
| 76 mm x 25 mm x 12 mm       | 6 pcs    |   |
| 50 mm x 50 mm x 12 mm       | 40 pcs   | Brazilanta dantada dandarda da d |
| 50 mm x 25 mm x 12 mm       | 2 pcs    |   |
| 6 mm x 6 mm x 6 mm          | 4 pcs    | Izod Impact Specimen  |
|                             |          | Tensile Specimen  |



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#### **TEST METHODS:**

PS 18: 1966

International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials - Material and Property Standard for Cultured Marble Lavatory

1. Density

ASTM D792 : 2013

Standard Test Methods for Density and Specific Gravity (Relative Density) of Plastics by Displacement

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 50 mm x 25 mm x 12 mm

No. of Determinations : 2

2. Impact Resistance

PS 18, Clause 5.3

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 250 mm x 250 mm x 12 mm

Dropped Height : 6" of reverse side

No. of Determination : 1

3. <u>Barcol Hardness</u>

PS 18, Clause 5.4

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 200 mm x 200 mm x 12 mm

No. of Determinations : 12

4. Oven Test for Cracking and Crazing

PS 18, Clause 5.5

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 150 mm x 150 mm x 12 mm

Test Condition :  $74 \pm 2$  °C for 10 days

No. of Determinations : 2

5. Water Absorption

PS 18, Clause 5.6

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 76 mm x 25 mm x 12 mm

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Pre-Condition} & : & 50 \pm 3 \mbox{ °C for 24 hrs} \\ \mbox{Water Immersion} & : & 23 \pm 1 \mbox{ °C for 24 hrs} \\ \mbox{Reconditioning} & : & 50 \pm 3 \mbox{ °C for 24 hrs} \\ \end{array}$ 

No. of Determinations : 3

6. Stain

PS 18, Clause 5.8

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 250 mm x 250 mm x 12 mm

Test Condition :  $23 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C for 24 hrs

No. of Determination : 1

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## **TEST METHODS: (CONT'D)**

7. Cigarette Test

PS 18, Clause 5.8

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 200 mm x 200 mm x 12 mm

Burning Time : 3 mins
No. of Determination : 1

8. Scrub Test

PS 18, Clause 5.9

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 400 mm x 150 mm x 12 mm

No. of Cycles : 40,000 No. of Determinations : 2

9. Izod Impact Strength (Notched)

ASTM D256: 2010

Standard Test Methods for Determining the Izod Pendulum Impact Resistance of Plastics

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 64 mm x 13 mm x 12 mm

Capacity of Pendulum : 2.75 J No. of Determinations : 10

10. Tensile Properties

ASTM D638: 2014

Standard Test Method for Tensile Properties of Plastics

Nominal Specimen Dimensions : ASTM D638, Type III

Initial Gauge Length : 50 mm
Length of Grip Separation : 115 mm
Crosshead Speed : 5 mm/min

No. of Determinations : 5

11. Coefficient of Thermal Expansion

ASTM E831 : 2014

Standard Test Method for Linear Thermal Expansion of Solid Materials by Thermomechanical Analysis

Instrument used : Thermomechanical Analyzer

Test condition : Ambient to 200 °C

Nominal thickness : 6 mm
Heating rate : 5 °C/min
Load : 0.02 N
Atmosphere : Nitrogen

12. Chemical Resistance

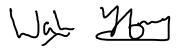
Nominal Specimen Dimensions : 50 mm x 12 mmTest Condition :  $23 \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 24 Hrs

No. of Determination : 1



## **TEST RESULTS:**

| S/No. | Characteristics  | Test Results /<br>Observations  | PS 18 : 1966 Test<br>Requirements  |
|-------|--|---|--|
| 1     | Density (g/cm³), average   | 1.76  | NA   |
| 2     | Impact Resistance  | No visible cracks were observed   | Shall not show cracks  |
| 3     | Barcol Hardness, average   | 59  | 40 min.  |
| 4     | Oven test for Cracking or Crazing  | No visible cracks or crazing was observed   | Shall not show evidence of cracking or crazing   |
| 5     | Water Absorption (%), average  | 0.05  | Shall not absorb water in excess of 0.58% in 24hrs   |
| 6a    | Stain (a) Coffee (b) Washing Detergent (c) Acetone (d) Olive Oil (e) Lipstick  (f) Fly Spray (g) 6% Urea (h) Alcohol (i) Shoe Polish (paste form)  (j) 10% Household Ammonia Solution (k) 10% Citric Acid solution (l) Amy Acetate (m) Trisodium Phosphate | No effect No effect No effect No effect * Noticeable mark was observed No effect No effect * Noticeable mark was observed No effect | Shall be unaffected  |
| 6b    | Stain (a) Tea (b) Ink Washable (c) 1% Iodine  (d) Vinegar (e) Bluing   | No effect No effect  ** Noticeable mark was observed No effect  ** Noticeable mark was observed   | Shall be unaffected (except for superficial stains which are easily removed by a light application of a mild abrasive) |
| 7     | Cigarette Test (mm)  | 0.02  | Shall not be more than 0.38 mm gel removed   |
| 8     | Scrub Test   | Very slight brush<br>marks were observed<br>on the two tested solid<br>surface panels   | Shall withstand 40,000 cycles. Only slight brush marks are allowed.  |

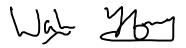




## TEST RESULTS: (CONT'D)

| S/No. | Characteristics  | Test Results /<br>Observations | PS 18 : 1966 Test<br>Requirements |
|-------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 9     | Izod Impact Strength (J/m), average  | 19.3                           | NA                                |
| 10    | <ul><li>(a) Maximum Tensile Strength (MPa),<br/>average</li><li>(b) Elongation at Break (%), average</li></ul> | 38.6<br>1.0                    | NA<br>NA                          |
| 11    | Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (μm/m·°C), α1 (50°C to 70°C) α2 (130°C to 170°C)                              | 65.0<br>130<br>(Figure 1)      | NA                                |

| Chamical Basistanas                     | Test Results / Observations |                   |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Chemical Resistance —                   | Results                     | Test Requirements |
| 1) Hydrofluoric Acid (48%)              | 3.0                         | 0                 |
| 2) Hydrofluoric Acid (40%)              | 3.0                         | 0                 |
| 3) Hydrofluoric Acid (20%)              | 3.0                         | 0                 |
| 4) Nitric Acid (Conc)                   | 3.0                         | 1.0               |
| 5) Nitric Acid (20%)                    | 2.0                         | 0                 |
| 6) Sulphuric Acid (98%)                 | 1.0                         | 3.0               |
| 7) Sulphuric Acid (20%)                 | 1.0                         | 0                 |
| 8) Perchloric Acid (80%)                | 1.0                         | 0                 |
| 9) Perchloric Acid (12%)                | 1.0                         | 0                 |
| 10) Phosphoric Acid (85%)               | 1.0                         | 0                 |
| 11) Phosphoric Acid (17%)               | 1.0                         | 0.5               |
| 12) Sodium Hydroxide (sat. aq)          | 1.0                         | 0.5               |
| 13) Sodium Hydroxide (20%)              | 1.0                         | 2.0               |
| 14) Potassium Hydroxide (30%)           | 1.0                         | 0.5               |
| 15) Potassium Hydroxide (10%)           | 0.5                         | 0                 |
| 16) Alcoholic Potassium Hydroxide (30%) | 0.5                         | 0                 |





## **TEST RESULTS: (CONTINUE)**

| Chamical Basistanas               | Test Results / C | Test Results / Observations |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Chemical Resistance               | Results          | Test Requirements           |  |
| 17) Ammonia (0.89%)               | 0                | 0                           |  |
| 18) Acetone                       | 1.0              | 0.5                         |  |
| 19) Chloroform                    | 1.0              | 0                           |  |
| 20) Toluene                       | 1.0              | 0                           |  |
| 21) Iso-propyl-alcohol (IPA)      | 0                | 0                           |  |
| 22) Tetra hydro furan             | 0.5              | 0                           |  |
| 23) Ethyl acetate                 | 1.0              | 0                           |  |
| 24) Di-ethyl-ether                | 0.5              | 0                           |  |
| 25) Bleach (Household)            | 0.5              | 0                           |  |
| 26) Hydrogen peroxide (3%)        | 0                | 0                           |  |
| 27) Iodine (3.5%) aq              | 1.0              | 0                           |  |
| 28) Bromine (sat. aq)             | 3.0              | 0                           |  |
| 29) Potassium permanganate (sat.) | 0                | 0                           |  |
| 30) Ferric chloride (25%)         | 0                | 0                           |  |
| 31) Silver Nitrate (5%)           | 2.0              | 1.0                         |  |
| 32) Lead acetate (sat. aq)        | 0                | 0                           |  |
| 33) Writing ink (Common)          | 0                | 0                           |  |
| 34) Gentian violet (1% aq)        | 3.0              | 0                           |  |
| 35) Motor Oil                     | 0.5              | 0                           |  |
| 36) Methyl alcohol                | 1.0              | 0                           |  |
| 37) Acetic Acid                   | 1.0              | 0                           |  |

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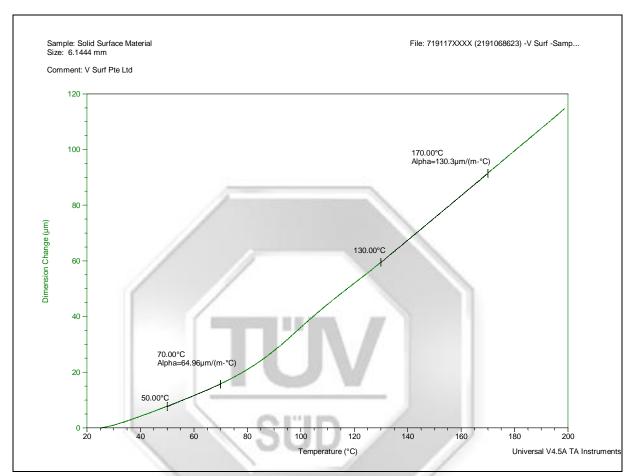
- 1. TMA thermogram was shown in Figure 1 and the result was based on the 2<sup>nd</sup> scan of the test specimen. The instrument is calibrated with Indium and Zinc as standard reference materials.
- 2. For stain test, "\*" denotes that noticeable mark was observed but the stain was able to be removed by dry or wet tissue paper.
- 3. "\*\*" denotes that the stain was easily removed by a light application of a mild abrasive.
- 4. For Chemical Resistance test, 0 denotes "No effect", 0.5 denotes "Faint Mark", 1.0 denotes "Noticeable Mark", 2.0 denotes "Obvious Mark" and 3.0 denotes "Severe Mark"

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Figure 1: TMA thermogram of solid surfacing material test specimen



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