

MILITARY SPECIFICATION

BOXES, AMMUNITION PACKING: WOOD,
(W/PLYWOOD TOP AND BOTTOM) NAILED

This amendment forms a part of Military Specification MIL-B-48024 (AR), dated 3 February 1972, and is approved for use by the U.S. Army Armament Munitions and Chemical Command, Department of the Army, and is available for use by all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

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2. Applicable Documents

Specifications, Federal:

Delete "TT-W-572-Wood Preservative, Water Repellent".

Specifications, Military

Delete "Mil-W-6110-Wood, Determination of Moisture Content"

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2. Add new paragraph 2.2 as follows:

"2.2 Other publications. The following documents form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise indicated, the issue in effect on date of invitation for bids or request for proposal shall apply.

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS

ASTM-D2016 - Moisture Content of Wood, Standard Test Methods for

ASTM-D4268 - Testing Fiber Ropes, Standard Methods for

(Application for copies should be addressed to the American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103)"

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- 3.7 Box identification, second sentence. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"The letters "PA" shall be annotated on all boxes subjected to the PQ 56 (Copper-8-quinolinolate) preservative treatment in accordance with 3.12. The letters "PB" shall be annotated on all boxes subjected to the M-GARD W550 (zinc naphthenate emulsifiable) preservative treatment in accordance with 3.12."

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- 3.12 Preservative treatment. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"3.12 Preservative treatment. Grade A or Grade B boxes or the finished wood parts thereof shall be completely immersed for a minimum of one minute in a solution of wood preservative PQ56 reduced with water down to 1.8 percent copper-8-quinolinolate as solution (see 6.8) or an emulsion of wood preservative M-GARD W550 (zinc naphthenate) reduced with water down to 3 percent zinc as metal (see 6.9). Alternatively, Grade A or Grade B boxes or the finished wood parts thereof shall be completely flooded for a minimum of one minute in PQ 56 or M-GARD W550 emulsion as to inundate all interior and exterior surfaces (when finished wood parts are dipped). Care shall be exercised to assure complete coverage of all surfaces of the board. After the dip treatment, the boxes must be air dried (or dried for an appropriate time in a kiln or oven) for a period of 24 hours minimum in a well ventilated area allowing full air circulation around all surfaces of the wood box. The boxes must be dried prior to shipment.

The box manufacturer will be required to obtain and provide all available safety, health and environmental data i.e., EPA Hazard Data Sheets, OSHA Safety Data Sheets etc. Of specific interest are the acute, subchronic and chronic toxicity data. Also, the manufacturer will obtain and provide any special safety, health and environmental information (apparatus and procedures) to be used throughout the treated box duty life and disposal."

- 3.12.1 Presence of PQ 56 (Copper-8-quinolinolate) preservative. When treated with PQ 56, the box shall show evidence of discoloration when tested as specified in 4.4.5.

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3.12.2 Presence of M-GARD W550 (zinc naphthenate emulsifiable) preservative. When treated with M-GARD W550, the box shall show evidence of discoloration when treated as specified in 4.4.6."

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4.3.3.5 Freedom from solvent and 4.3.3.5.1 Retest. Delete in their entirety and substitute:

"4.3.3.5 Presence of PQ 56 (copper-8-quinolinolate) preservative. (see 3.12.1), Major defect. A sample of 15 boxes shall be selected at random, from each lot, for this test. Four individual boards of each box shall be subjected to the test specified in 4.4.5. If one or more boards fail to meet the applicable requirement, additional boards shall be tested. The box will be considered acceptable when a total of four individual boards (including at least one end cleat) meet the applicable requirements. Failure of any box to comply with the requirements shall be cause for rejection of the lot."

4.3.3.6 Presence of pentachlorophenol preservative. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"4.3.3.6 Presence of M-GARD W550 (zinc naphthenate emulsifiable) preservative. (see 3.12.2), Major defect. A sample of 15 boxes shall be selected at random for this test. Four individual boards of each box shall be subjected to the test specified in 4.4.6. If one or more boards fail to meet the applicable requirement, additional boards, from that box, shall be tested. The box will be considered acceptable when the total of four individual boards (including at least one end cleat) meet the applicable requirements. Failure of any box to comply with the requirements shall be cause for rejection of the lot."

4.4.2 Moisture content, second line: Delete "Specification MIL-W-6110" and substitute "ASTM-D2016."

4.4.4 Rope breaking strength, first sentence: Delete "Method 4106 of Specification CCC-T-191" and substitute "ASTM D4268".

4.4.5 Freedom from solvent. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"4.4.5 Presence of PQ56 (copper-8-quinolinolate) preservative.

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4.4.5.1 Primary method.

4.4.5.1.1 Materials and equipment. The materials and equipment required are as follows:

a. PQ Check(indicator): The formulation contains 10 parts by weight, of sodium diethyldithiocarbamate trihydrate (see 6.10) and 90 parts by weight of distilled water.

b. Dropper: An ordinary glass tube eyedropper may be used.

4.4.5.1.2 Test procedure. Two drops of PQ Check (indicator) shall be applied to the wood surface. An immediate dark brown coloration and the spreading of the drops shall indicate PQ56 treatment.

4.4.5.2 Alternate method.

4.4.5.2.1 Materials and equipment. The material and equipment required are as follows:

a. Reagent. Dissolve 0.5 grams chrome azurol S concentrate (see 6.11) and 5.0 grams sodium acetate in 80 ml of distilled water and then dilute further to 500 ml total with distilled water.

b. Sprayer. A common manual (fly) sprayer type applicator shall be used.

4.4.5.2.2 Test procedure. Spray solution over surface of dried wood. A deep blue color reveals the presence of copper (from the copper-8-quinolinolate)."

4.4.6 Presence of pentachlorophenol preservative: Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"4.4.6 Presence of M-GARD W550 (zinc naphthenate emulsifiable) preservative.

4.4.6.1 Primary method

4.4.6.1.1 Materials and equipment. The materials and equipment required are as follows:

a. Reagent. Dissolve 0.1 grams of dithizone (diphenylthiocarbazone) (see 6.12) in 100 ml of chloroform (Note: Solutions should be made up daily).

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b. Sprayer. A common manual (fly) sprayer type applicator should be used.

4.4.6.1.2 Test procedure. Spray solution evenly over dried wood. The indicator will turn pink when zinc (M-GARD W550) is present. The pink color fades with light.

4.4.6.2 Alternate method.

4.4.6.2.1 Materials and equipment. The materials and equipment required are as follows:

a. Reagents (Stock solutions)

(1) 1 gram of potassium ferricyanide dissolved in 100 ml of distilled water.

(2) 1 gram of potassium iodide dissolved in 100 ml of distilled water.

(3) Starch indicator solution. Make a paste of 1 gram of soluble starch in about 5 ml of distilled water, add 100 ml of distilled water and boil for 1 minute with constant stirring. Cool. Note: This solution is subject to biodegradation and therefore should not be used longer than 3 days before a new batch is prepared.

b. Sprayer: A DeVilbiss No. 30 atomizer or equivalent.

4.4.6.2.2 Test procedure: Mix 10 ml each of the three stock solutions and pour into the atomizer (sprayer). Spray mixture evenly over surface of dried wood. The solution will cause the treated wood to turn a deep blue instantly while the untreated part will retain its original color."

6. Notes

6.6 Delete in its entirety.

Add new paragraphs as follows:

"6.8 PQ 56, for the 1.8 percent copper-8-quinolinolate solution, may be obtained from the Chapman Chemical Company, P.O. Box 9158, Memphis, Tn 38019 or equivalent facility.

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6.9 M-GARD W550 (zinc hydronap) for the 3 percent zinc as metal solution, may be obtained from the Mooney Chemicals Inc., 2301 Scranton Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44113-9988 or equivalent facility.

6.10 Sodium diethylthiocarbamate trihydrate may be obtained from J.T. Baker Chemical Co., Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865 or equivalent facility.

6.11 Chrome azuro1 "S" may be obtained from Eastman Chemical Co., Rochester, New York or equivalent facility.

6.12 Dithizone (diphenylthiocarbazone) may be obtained from Matheson, Coleman and Bell Co., Cincinnati, Ohio or equivalent facility."

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20.3 Standards: Delete "Federal Test Method STD No. 151 Metals, Test Methods" and substitute "ASTM-E8-Tension Testing of Metallic Materials."

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40.1.3 Breaking strength test, first sentence: Delete "Method 211.1, Federal Test Method STD No. 151, Metals Test Methods" and substitute "ASTM-E8".

40.1.4 Percentage elongation test, first sentence: Delete "Method 211.1, Federal Test Method STD. No. 151, Metals, Test Methods" and substitute "ASTM-E8".

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