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## MILITARY SPECIFICATION

# ERASER, RUBBER-PUMICE

## (For Testing Coated Optical Elements)

*This specification has been approved by the Department of Defense for use of the Departments of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force.*

### 1. SCOPE

1.1 This specification covers one grade of eraser for use in testing the abrasion resistance of reflection-reducing films for glass optical elements.

### 2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2.1 The following specifications, standard, and drawing, of the issue in effect on date of invitation for bids, form a part of this specification:

### SPECIFICATIONS

#### FEDERAL

SS-P-821 —Pumice; Ground, Abrasive.

ZZ-R-601 —Rubber Goods; General Specifications (Methods of Physical Test and Chemical Analyses).

#### MILITARY

JAN-P-120 —Packaging and Packing for Overseas Shipment, Cartons, Folding Paperboard.

MIL-B-4229 —Boxes, Paperboard, Metal-Stayed.

### STANDARD

#### MILITARY

MIL-STD-129—Marking for Shipment and Storage.

### DRAWING

ORDNANCE CORPS

D7680606 —Eraser, Rubber Plug.

(Copies of specifications, standards, and drawings required by contractors in connection with specific procurement functions should be obtained from the procuring activity or as directed by the contracting officer.)

### 3. REQUIREMENTS

3.1 **Material.** — Eraser shall be made of high-grade rubber combined with 50, plus or minus 5, percent by weight of the abrasive as filler. The abrasive shall be a fine-ground pumice conforming to grade FFFF of Specification SS-P-821.

3.2 **Hardness.** — Finished eraser shall have a durometer hardness of 75, plus or minus 5.

3.3 **Accelerated aging.**—Eraser shall show a hardness change of not more than 10 points after being placed in a Geer oven for 7 days at a temperature of 158° F., plus or minus 2° F.

3.4 **Shape and size.**—Eraser shall be in conformance with Part No. 6 of drawing D7680606.

3.5 **Workmanship.** — Eraser shall be a uniform mixture of abrasive and rubber, free from any excessive holes, cracks, splits, or foreign particles which might adversely affect its use.

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### 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

4.1 **Sampling.**—Fifteen or more erasers shall be taken by the inspector at random from each lot in order to determine compliance with this specification.

4.2 **Inspection.**—Erasers shall be inspected to determine compliance with 3.4 and 3.5 of this specification.

#### 4.3 Tests.

4.3.1 **Filler content** shall be determined in accordance with Specification ZZ-R-601. Do not discard filler, use it for particle size determination.

4.3.2 **Particle size of abrasive.**—Conformance to the abrasive requirements of 3.1 shall be determined by testing in accordance with Specification SS-P-821.

4.3.3 **Hardness.**—At least five erasers shall be tested for hardness in accordance with Specification ZZ-R-601. The hardness shall be determined on the ends of the eraser.

4.3.4 **Accelerated aging.**—Five erasers shall be placed in a Geer oven or equivalent air oven at 158° F., plus or minus 2° F., for 7 days and then tested as specified in 4.3.3.

### 5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

5.1 **Domestic shipment — immediate use.**  
—No preservative shall be required. Erasers shall be packaged in accordance with commercial suppliers practice.

5.2 **Domestic shipment — limited storage.**  
—No preservative shall be required. Erasers

shall be unit packaged fifty (50) to a carton. Cartons shall conform to either Specification Jan-P-120 or MIL-B-4229. Twelve cartons shall be packaged in an exterior shipping box. Exterior containers shall conform to Specification MIL-B-4229.

5.3 **Domestic shipment—extended storage.**  
—Same as 5.2.

5.4 **Marking.**—Marking for shipment shall be in accordance with Standard MIL-STD-129.

### 6. NOTES

6.1 **Ordering data.** — Procurement documents should specify the following:

- (a) Title, number and date of this specification.
- (b) Place of inspection.

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