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# **ASTM E 84 Surface Burning Characteristics** of "WRAPTEC® IsoCover (Colour: Light Grey)"

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**ACCREDITATION** 

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## SPECIFICATIONS OF ORDER

Determine the Flame Spread and Smoke Developed Indices based upon a single test conducted in accordance with ASTM E 84-15a, as per Exova GmbH Order Number E04316000282 dated July 8, 2016.

#### SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

(Exova sample identification number 16-002-S0355-2)

Polyisobutylene material, described as, "Cladding, jacketing and sealing material for HVAC ducts, pipes and technical insulations; Colour: Light Grey", adhered to a cement board substrate, identified as: "WRAPTEC® IsoCover (Colour: Light Grev)"

#### **TEST PROCEDURE**

The method, designated as ASTM E 84-15a "Standard Method of Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials", is designed to determine the relative surface burning characteristics of materials under specific test conditions. Results are expressed in terms of Flame Spread Index (FSI) and Smoke Developed (SD).

Although the procedure is applicable to materials, products and assemblies used in building construction for development of comparative surface spread of flame data, the test results may not reflect the relative surface burning characteristics of tested materials under all building fire conditions.

#### SAMPLE PREPARATION

The 0.040 inch (1 mm) thick test material was adhered to a 0.25 inch (6 mm) thick, fiberglass reinforced cement board substrate using supplied Monier M-Glue (water-reacting). The substrate was pre-treated with water and then 0.2 inch (5 mm) beads of adhesive were applied to the boards, at approximately 2 inch (50 mm) spacing. The material was then applied to the adhesive and allowed to cure for a minimum period of 24 hours prior to testing. The test specimen consisted of a total of 3 sections of material, each approximately 21 inches (533 mm) in width. by 2438 mm in length. The sections were butted together to create the specimen length. Prior to testing, the specimen was conditioned to constant weight at a temperature of 73 ± 5°F (23 ± 3°C) and a relative humidity of 50 ± 5%. During testing, the specimen was self-supporting.

The testing was performed on: 2016-07-22

# SUMMARY OF TEST PROCEDURE

The tunnel is preheated to 150 ± 5°F (66 ± 2.8°C), as measured by the floor-embedded thermocouple located 23.25 feet (7087 mm) downstream of the burner ports, and allowed to cool to 105 ± 5°F (40.5 ± 2.8°C), as measured by the floor-embedded thermocouple located 13 feet (3962 mm) from the burners. At this time the tunnel lid is raised and the test sample is placed along the ledges of the tunnel so as to form a continuous ceiling 24 feet (7315 mm) long, 12 inches (305 mm) above the floor. Three 8 foot (2438 mm) sections of 0.25 inch (6 mm) cement board are then placed on the back side of the sample end-to-end, to protect the tunnel lid, and the lid is then lowered into place.

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# **SUMMARY OF TEST PROCEDURE (continued)**

Upon ignition of the gas burners, the flame spread distance is observed and recorded every second. Flame spread distance versus time is plotted. Calculations ignore all flame front recessions and Flame Spread Index (FSI) is determined by calculating the total area under the curve for the test sample. If the area under the curve (A) is less than or equal to 97.5 min·ft, then FSI = 0.515·A; if greater, FSI = 4900/(195-A). FSI is then rounded to the nearest multiple of 5.

Smoke Developed (SD) is determined by dividing the total area under the obscuration curve by that of red oak, and multiplying by 100. SD is then rounded to the nearest multiple of 5 if less than 200. SD values over 200 are rounded to the nearest multiple of 50.

### **TEST RESULTS**

	Flame Spread	Smoke Developed
SAMPLE	Index (FSI)	Index (SDI)
"WRAPTEC® IsoCover (Colour: Light Grey)"	55	70

# Observations of Burning Characteristics

- The specimen ignited approximately 38 seconds after exposure to the test flame. Melting and flaming dripping behavior was observed. Material that dripped to the floor of the apparatus continued to burn.
- The flame front propagated to a maximum distance of 19.5 feet (5.94 metres) at approximately 407 seconds.

# Authorities having jurisdiction usually refer to these categories:

	Flame-Spread Index	Smoke Development
Class 1 or A	0 - 25	450 Maximum
Class 2 or B	26 - 75	450 Maximum
Class 3 or C	76 - 200	450 Maximum

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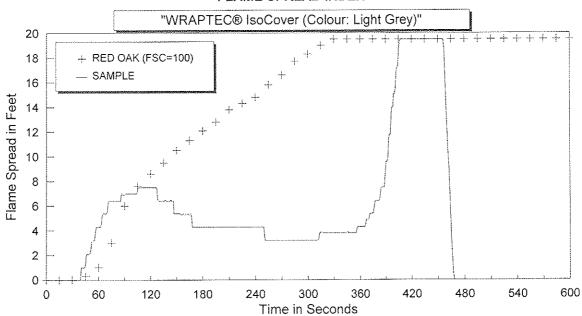
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### **SMOKE DEVELOPED**

