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Standard Specification for Faced or Unfaced Rigid Cellular Phenolic Thermal Insulation¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification applies to faced or unfaced, rigid cellular phenolic thermal insulation in either board or tubular form.

1.2 Materials covered by this specification are used as roof insulation; sheathing or rigid board for non-load bearing, building material applications; and pipe insulation for use between -40 and 257°F (-40 and 125°C). Type II Grade 1 and Type III Grade 1 materials with an appropriate vapor retarder covering on the warm surface can be used to a lower temperature limit of -290°F (-180°C). (See 7.2.)

1.3 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. International Standard Units (SI) are given in parentheses.

1.4 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.* For specific precautionary statements, see Section 16.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

- C 168 Terminology Relating to Thermal Insulating Materials²
- C 177 Test Method for Steady-State Heat Flux Measurements and Thermal Transmission Properties by Means of the Guarded Hot-Plate Apparatus²
- C 209 Test Methods for Cellulosic Fiber Insulating Board²
- C 236 Test Method for Steady-State Thermal Performance of Building Assemblies by Means of a Guarded Hot Box²
- C 335 Test Method for Steady-State Heat Transfer Property of Horizontal Pipe Insulations²
- C 390 Criteria for Sampling and Acceptance of Preformed Thermal Insulation Lots²
- C 518 Test Method for Steady-State Heat Flux Measurements and Thermal Transmission Properties by Means of the Heat Flow Meter Apparatus²

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² Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 04.06.

C 550 Practice for Measuring Trueness and Squareness of Rigid Block Thermal Insulation²

C 585 Practice for Inner and Outer Diameters of Rigid Thermal Insulation for Nominal Sizes of Pipe and Tubing (NPS System)²

C 976 Test Method for Thermal Performance of Building Assemblies by Means of a Calibrated Hot Box²

C 1045 Practice for Calculating Thermal Transmission Properties from Steady-State Heat Flux Measurements²

C 1058 Practice for Selecting Temperatures for Evaluating and Reporting Thermal Properties of Thermal Insulation²

C 1303 Test Method for Estimating Long-Term Change in the Thermal Resistance of Unfaced Rigid Closed Cell Plastic Foams by Slicing and Scaling Under Controlled Laboratory Conditions.²

D 1621 Test Method for Compressive Properties of Rigid Cellular Plastics.³

D 1622 Test Method for Apparent Density of Rigid Cellular Plastics.³

D 1623 Test Method for Tensile and Tensile Adhesion Properties of Rigid Cellular Plastics³

D 2126 Test Method for Response of Rigid Cellular Plastics to Thermal and Humid Aging³

E 84 Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials⁴

E 96 Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials²

3. Terminology

3.1 The definitions and terms in Terminology C 168 shall apply to this specification.

4. Classification

4.1 The thermal insulation shall be of the following types and grades:

4.1.1 *Type I*—For use as roof insulation board.

4.1.2 *Type II*—For use as sheathing or rigid panel for non-load bearing applications.

4.1.3 *Type III*—For use as pipe insulation.

4.1.4 *Grade 1*—Foam for Type I of this grade will have an average apparent thermal conductivity of 0.16 Btu·in./h·ft²·°F

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 08.01.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 04.07.