



Standard Test Method for Adhesion and Cohesion of One-Part Elastomeric Solvent Release Sealants¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This test method is a laboratory procedure that determines the adhesion and cohesion performance of one-part elastomeric, solvent release sealants at high and low temperatures by the extension and compression of test specimens.

1.2 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

1.3 The subcommittee with jurisdiction is not aware of any similar ISO standard.

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 a specific precautionary statement, see [Note 2](#).

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

[C33 Specification for Concrete Aggregates](#)

[C109/C109M Test Method for Compressive Strength of Hydraulic Cement Mortars \(Using 2-in. or \[50-mm\] Cube Specimens\)](#)

[C150 Specification for Portland Cement](#)

[C717 Terminology of Building Seals and Sealants](#)

2.2 Aluminum Association Standard:

[DAF-45 Designation System for Aluminum Finishes](#)³

¹ This test method is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee C24 on Building Seals and Sealants and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee C24.30 on Adhesion.

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ Available from Aluminum Association, 900 19th St. NW, Washington, DC 20006.

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—Refer to Terminology [C717](#) for definitions of the following terms used in this test method: adhesive failure, bond breaker, cohesive failure, elastomeric, joint, primer, sealant, solvent release sealant, substrate, and standard conditions.

4. Significance and Use

4.1 The failure of a building sealant in a joint that experiences movement is manifested by cohesive failure in the sealant or adhesive failure between the sealant and substrate, or both. This test method evaluates the performance of one-part elastomeric solvent release sealants in joints subjected to movement and temperature aging.

5. Apparatus

5.1 *Extension-Compression Machine*, as shown in [Fig. 1](#), designed to extend the test specimens automatically at a constant rate of 3.20 mm [$\frac{1}{8}$ in.]/h from a joint width of 11.2 mm [$\frac{7}{16}$ in.] to 14.29 mm [$\frac{9}{16}$ in.] at $-12 \pm 2.8^\circ\text{C}$ [$+10 \pm 5^\circ\text{F}$].⁴

5.2 *Oven*, forced-draft type, having the temperature controlled to $70 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ [$158 \pm 2^\circ\text{F}$].

5.3 *Oven*, convection type, having the temperature controlled to $50 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ [$122 \pm 2^\circ\text{F}$].

5.4 *Freezer Chest or Cold Box*, having the temperature controlled to $-12 \pm 2.8^\circ\text{C}$ [$+10 \pm 5^\circ\text{F}$].

5.5 *C-Clamps*, or other clamping devices.

6. Reagents

6.1 *Purity of Reagents*—Reagent grade chemicals shall be used in all tests. Unless otherwise indicated, it is intended that

⁴ Series 520 Sealant Compound Tester, manufactured by Applied Test Systems, Inc., 348 New Castle Rd., Butler, PA 16001, and a durability tester manufactured by Ambard, Inc., 269-11 Sist Ave., New Hyde Park, NY 11040, have been found suitable for this purpose.

The sole source of supply of the apparatus known to the committee at this time is Applied Test Systems and Ambard. If you are aware of alternative suppliers, please provide this information to ASTM International Headquarters. Your comments will receive careful consideration at a meeting of the responsible technical committee,¹ which you may attend.