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Standard Terminology Relating to Roofing and Waterproofing¹

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1. Referenced Documents

1.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

- C33/C33M Specification for Concrete Aggregates
- C591 Specification for Unfaced Preformed Rigid Cellular Polyisocyanurate Thermal Insulation
- C1289 Specification for Faced Rigid Cellular Polyisocyanurate Thermal Insulation Board
- D312/D312M Specification for Asphalt Used in Roofing
- D450/D450M Specification for Coal-Tar Pitch Used in Roofing, Dampproofing, and Waterproofing
- D698 Test Methods for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Standard Effort (12,400 ft-lbf/ft³ (600 kN-m/m³))
- D1557 Test Methods for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Modified Effort (56,000 ft-lbf/ft³ (2,700 kN-m/m³))
- D6136/D6136M Test Method for Kerosine Number of Unsaturated (Dry) Felt by Vacuum Method

2. Terminology

2.1 *Definitions*:

accelerated weathering, *v*—the exposure of a specimen to a specified test environment for a specified time with the intent of producing, in a shorter time period, effects similar to actual weathering.

aggregate, *n*—(1) crushed stone, crushed slag, or water-worn gravel used for surfacing a built-up roof; (2) any granular mineral material.

alligatoring, *v*—the cracking of the surfacing bitumen on a built-up roof, producing a pattern of cracks similar to an alligator's hide; the cracks may not extend through the surfacing bitumen.

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anionic emulsion, *n*—an emulsion in which the emulsifying system establishes a predominance of negative charges on the discontinuous phase.

application rate, *n*—the quantity (mass, volume or thickness) of material applied per unit area.

artificial weathering, *v*—exposure to conditions, which may be cyclic, involving temperature, relative humidity, radiant energy, and/or any other conditions or pollutants found in the atmosphere in various geographical areas, which may accelerate changes in properties of materials over those of natural weather conditions.

asbestos, *n*—a group of natural fibrous impure silicate materials.

asphalt, *n*—a dark brown to black cementitious material in which the predominating constituents are bitumens that occur in nature or are obtained in petroleum processing.

asphalt, air blown, *n*—an asphalt produced by blowing air through molten asphalt at an elevated temperature to raise its softening point and modify other properties.

asphaltene, *n*—a high molecular weight hydrocarbon fraction precipitated from asphalt by a designated paraffinic naphtha solvent at a specified temperature and solvent-asphalt ratio.

DISCUSSION—The asphaltene fraction should be identified by the temperature and solvent-asphalt ratio used.

asphalt felt, *n*—an asphalt-saturated felt.

asphaltite, *n*—a natural asphalt found below ground level.

asphalt mastic, *n*—a mixture of asphaltic material and graded mineral aggregate that can be poured when heated, but requires mechanical manipulation to apply.

asphalt rock (rock asphalt), *n*—a naturally occurring rock formation, usually limestone or sandstone, containing throughout its mass a minor amount of asphalt.

asphalt roof cement, *n*—a trowelable mixture of asphalt, solvents, mineral stabilizers, and fillers, fibers, or both.

asphalt roof cement, *n*—see *flashing cement*.

asphalt, steam blown, *n*—an asphalt produced by blowing steam through molten asphalt to modify its properties.