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Standard Test Methods for Multi-Modal Strength Testing of Autohesives (Contact Adhesives)¹

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1. Scope

1.1 These test methods cover procedures by which autohesives can be tested in four commonly practiced stressing modes, namely: compression shear, cleavage, climbing drum peel, and T-peel, and in various combinations of rigid-to-rigid, flexible-to-rigid, and flexible-to-flexible adherends that include wood, aluminum, steel flakeboard, and plastic laminates. Quantitative test methods that involve bond formation by impact are also provided. Three pressure modes are provided: static, roller, and impact. Because there are many types of contact adhesives being used to bond many different materials under widely differing conditions, these test methods are designed to allow the user to select the test mode, coating thickness, temperature and relative humidity conditions, pressure magnitude and mode, open time, and bond-conditioning time.

1.1.1 The bond-formation process used with autohesives is unlike that of all other adhesives and in consequence, testing of autohesives requires methods that are unlike those provided by other ASTM standards. See [Annex A1](#).

1.2 A choice of adherends is available in each test mode. The combination of adherends that can be bonded together is limited to those shown in [Appendix X1](#).

1.3 Methods for application of pressure are available in each test mode. For a particular combination of substrates, the means available for application of pressure are limited to those shown in [Appendix X2](#).

1.4 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.5 *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, health, and environmental practices and deter-*

mine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use. Specific precautionary statements are given in [7.5](#).

1.6 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

[D905](#) Test Method for Strength Properties of Adhesive Bonds in Shear by Compression Loading

[D907](#) Terminology of Adhesives

[D1062](#) Test Method for Cleavage Strength of Metal-to-Metal Adhesive Bonds

[D1151](#) Practice for Effect of Moisture and Temperature on Adhesive Bonds

[D1781](#) Test Method for Climbing Drum Peel for Adhesives

[D1876](#) Test Method for Peel Resistance of Adhesives (T-Peel Test)

[D2651](#) Guide for Preparation of Metal Surfaces for Adhesive Bonding

[E4](#) Practices for Force Verification of Testing Machines

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions:*

3.1.1 Many terms in these test methods are defined in Terminology [D907](#).

3.1.2 *autohesion, n*—adhesion developed by interdiffusion of the molecules of two solid surfaces of the same material and consequent obliteration of the interface between them.

3.1.3 *autohesive, n*—an adhesive possessing the property of autohesion. (Also called contact-bond adhesive and dry-bond adhesive.)

3.1.4 *shear strength, n*—in adhesive joint, the maximum average stress when a force is applied parallel to the joint.

¹ These test methods are under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee [D14](#) on Adhesives and are the direct responsibility of Subcommittee [D14.70](#) on Construction Adhesives.

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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.