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SUBJECT:

Testing of "Cresto Quartz" Brand Solid Surfacing Material

TESTED FOR:

Co-Top Design Services No. 2 Kranji Link Singapore 728648

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SAMPLE DESCRIPTION:

The following brand of solid surfacing material test specimen was submitted by Co-Top Design Services on 5th April 2012 and labelled as: "Cresto Quartz".

Nominal specimen dimensions	Quantity	Photo
300mm x 150mm x 20mm	7 pcs	
250mm x 250mm x 20mm	4 pcs	
200mm x 200mm x 20mm	4 pcs	
76mm x 25mm x 20mm	6 pcs	
64mm x 13mm x 20mm	12 pcs	
50mm x 50mm x 20mm	54 pcs	
50mm x 25mm x 20mm	4 pcs	
10mm x 10mm x 20mm	7 pcs	
ASTM D638, Type III	8 pcs	

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TEST METHODS:

PS 18: 1966

International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials - Material and Property Standard for Cultured Marble Lavatory

1) Density

ASTM D792-2008

Standard Test Methods for Density and Specific Gravity (Relative Density) of Plastics by Displacement

Norminal specimen dimensions

No. of determinations

50mm x 25mm x 20mm

2) Impact Resistance

PS18, Clause 4.1

Norminal specimen dimensions

Dropped height No. of determination

250mm x 250mm x 20mm

6" of reverse side and 30" on the gel coat side

3) Barcol Hardness PS18, Clause 5,4

Norminal specimen dimensions

No. of determinations

250mm x 250mm x 20mm

4) Oven Test for Cracking and Crazing

PS18, Clause 5,5

Norminal specimen dimensions

Test condition

No. of determinations

200mm x 200mm x 20mm 200mm x 200mm 74 ± 2°C for 10 days

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5) Water Absorption PS18, Clause 4.4

Norminal specimen dimensions

Pre-conditioning Water immersion Reconditioning

No. of determinations

76mm x 25mm x 20mm

50 ± 3°C for 24hrs 23 ± 1°C for 24hrs 50 ± 3°C for 24hrs

6) Stain

PS18, Clause 5.8

Norminal specimen dimensions

Test condition No. of determination 250mm x 250mm x 20mm

 23 ± 2 °C for 24hrs

7) Scrub Test (Washability)

PS18, Clause 5.9

Norminal specimen dimensions

No. of cycles

No. of determinations

300mm x 150mm x 20mm

40,000



TEST METHODS (CONTINUE):

8) Cigarette Test PS18, Clause 5.8

Norminal specimen dimensions

150mm x 150mm x 20mm

Burning time

3 mins

No. of determination

9) Izod Impact Strength

ASTM D256:2010

Standard Test Methods for Determining the Izod Pendulum Impact Resistance of Plastics

Norminal specimen dimensions

64mm x 13mm x 20mm

Capacity of pendulum

2J 9

No. of determinations

10) Tensile Properties

ASTM D638:2003

Standard Test Method for Tensile Properties of Plastics

Nominal specimen dimensions

ASTM D638, Type III

Initial gauge length Length of grip separation 50mm 115mm 5mm/min

Crosshead speed No. of determinations

11) Coefficient of Thermal Expansion by Thermomechanical Analysis

ASTM E831:2006

Standard Test Method for Linear Thermal Expansion of Solid Materials by Thermomechanical Analysis

Instrument used

TMA 2940 Thermomechanical Analyzer

Test condition

Ambient to 200°C

Nominal thickness

6 mm

Heating rate

5°C/mln

Load Atmosphere

0.02N Air

12) Chemical Resistance

Norminal specimen dimensions

50mm x 50mm x 20mm

Test condition

23 ± 2°C for 24hrs

No. of determination

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TEST RESULTS:

S/N	Test Characteristics	Test Results / Obervations	PS 18-66 Test Requirements
1	Density (g/cm³), average	2,38	NA
2	Impact Resistance	No visible cracks was observed	Shall not show cracks
3	Barcol Hardness, average	77	40 minimum
4	Oven test for Cracking or Crazing	No visible cracks or crazing was observed	Shall not show evidence of cracking or crazing
5	Water absorption (%), average	0.012	Shall not absorb water in excess of 0.58% in 24hrs
6	Stain (a) Coffee (b) Tea (c) Washing Detergent (d) Acetone (e) Olive Oil (f) Lipstick (g) Fly Spray (h) Ink Washable (i) 6% Urea (j) Alcohol (k) 1% lodine (l) Shoe Polish (paste form) (m) Vinegar (n) 10% Household Ammonia Solution (o) 10% Citric Acid solution (p) Amy Acetate (q) Carbon Tetrachloride (r) Trisodium Phosphate	No effect	Shall be such that it will withstand all reagents
7	Scrub Test	No brush marks were observed on the two tested solid surface panels	Shall withstand 40,000 cycles. Only slight brush marks are allowed
8	Cigarette Test (mm)	0.01	Shall not be more than 0.38mm
9	Izod Impact Strength (J/m), average	76.7	NA
	(a) Maximum Tensile Strength (MPa), average	11.1	NA
10	(b) Elongation at Break (%), average	0.04	NA
11	Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (µm/m·°C) Alpha 1 (70°C to 180°C)	60 (Figure 1)	NA

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TEST RESULTS: (CONTINUE)

Chemical Resistance Test Results / Observations*		
Chemical Resistance	Results	Test Regulrements
1) Hydrofluoric Acid (40%)	1.0	0
2) Hydrofluoric Acid (20%)	1.0	0
3) Nitric Acid (Conc)	0	1.0
4) Nitric Acid (20%)	0	0
5) Sulphuric Acid (98%)	0.5	3.0
6) Sulphuric Acid (20%)	0	0
7) Perchloric Acid (80%)	0	0
8) Perchloric Acid (12%)	0	0
9) Phosphoric Acid (85%)	Ö	0
10) Phosphoric Acid (17%)	ō	0.5
11) Sodium Hydroxide (sat. aq)	O	0.5
12) Sodium Hydroxide (20%)	0	2.0
13) Potassium Hydroxide (30%)	0	0,5
14) Potassium Hydroxide (10%)	0	0
15) Alcoholic Potassium Hydroxide (30%)	0	0
16) Ammonia (0.89%)	O may	0
17) Acetone	0	0.5
18) Chloroform	0	0
19) Carbon Tetrachloride	0	0
20) Toluene	O	0
21) Iso-propyl-alcohol (IPA)	0	0
22) Tetra hydro furan	0	0
23) Ethyl acetate	0	0
24) Di-ethyl-ether	0	0
25) Bleach (Household)	o	0
26) Hydrogen peroxide (3%)	0	0
27) Iodine (3.5%) aq	0	0
28) Bromine (sat. aq)	Ō	0
29) Potassium permanganate (sat.)	2.0	0
30) Ferric chloride (25%)	0	0
31) Silver Nitrate (5%)	2.0	1.0
32) Lead acetate (sat. aq)	0	0
33) Writing ink (Common)	1.0	0
34) Gentian violet (1% aq)	2.0	0
35) Motor Oil	0	0
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36) Methyl alcohol	0	0

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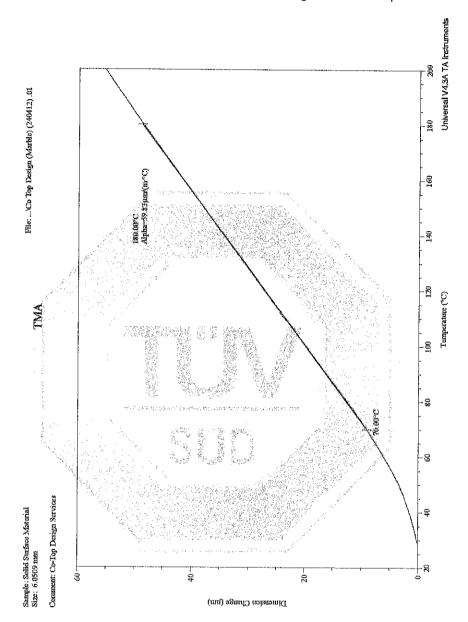
REMARKS:

- 0 denotes "No effect"
- 0.5 denotes "Faint Mark"
- 1.0 denotes "Noticeable Mark"
 2.0 denotes "Obvious Mark"
 3.0 denotes "Severe Mark"

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Figure 1: TMA thermogram of "Cresto Quartz" brand solid surfacing material test specimen



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