1. Scope

1.1 These test methods include procedures for sampling, examination, physical testing, and analyses of asphalt-containing materials used in roofing and waterproofing. These materials include but are not limited to roll roofing, cap sheets, and shingles. Any of these materials are allowed to be partially or fully coated, surfaced, or laminated, or combination thereof.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as the standard. The values given in parentheses are for information only.

1.3 The test methods and procedures in this standard appear in the following order:

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5 | Types of Roofing
6 | Sampling
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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.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

D 95 Test Method for Water in Petroleum Products and Bituminous Materials by Distillation
D 146 Test Methods for Sampling and Testing Bitumen-Saturated Felts and Woven Fabrics for Roofing and Waterproofing
D 225 Specification for Asphalt Shingles (Organic Felt) Surfaced with Mineral Granules
D 1079 Terminology Relating to Roofing, Waterproofing, and Bituminous Materials
D 1922 Test Method for Propagation of Tear Resistance of Plastic Film and Thin Sheeting by Pendulum Method
D 2178 Specification for Asphalt Glass Felt Used in Roofing and Waterproofing
D 2626 Specification for Asphalt-Saturated and Coated Organic Felt Base Sheet Used in Roofing
D 3462 Specification for Asphalt Shingles Made from Glass Felt and Surfaced with Mineral Granules
D 3909 Specification for Asphalt Roll Roofing (Glass Felt) Surfaced with Mineral Granules
D 4601 Specification for Asphalt-Coated Glass Fiber Base Sheet Used in Roofing
D 4897 Specification for Asphalt-Coated Glass-Fiber Venting Base Sheet Used in Roofing
D 6380 Specification for Asphalt Roll Roofing (Organic Felt)

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 For definitions of terms used in these test methods, see Terminology D 1079.

3.1.2 As referenced in 13.1, “Materials of Uniform Composition” designates products that are manufactured to be the...
same thickness, ply count, and mass per unit area in all areas of the material. This would include traditional “3 Tab” shingles and other shingles that have areas of material removed for appearance purposes but the rest of the shingle is of uniform composition. When determining the mass per unit area, the measured area of the material is the area where material is actually present.

3.1.3 As referenced in 13.2, “Materials of Nonuniform Composition” designates products that are intentionally manufactured to have different thickness, ply count, or mass per unit area within different areas of the product. Examples of materials of nonuniform composition are selvage edge rolls and overlaid or multiply laminated shingles (where not all of the product has the same thickness or number of plies).

3.1.4 As referenced in these test methods, “Machine Direction” (indicated as MD) is the direction running the long dimension of a roll product (before samples or specimens are cut) or the long dimension of a shingle, unless otherwise known and agreed to between supplier and purchaser. “Cross Direction” (indicated as CD) designates the direction perpendicular to the MD.

4. Significance and Use

4.1 These test methods include procedures for sampling, examination, physical testing, and analyses of asphalt roll roofing, cap sheets, and shingles used in roofing and waterproofing. Other components of these materials are allowed to include, but are not limited to, felts, mats, films, foils, mineral stabilizers, papers, and mineral surfacing.

4.2 These test methods include tests that are not required by every product standard which references Test Methods D 228. The individual product standards are the authority for which tests are required for compliance. It is allowed to run tests in addition to those required in the product standards, but these test methods make no claim to their suitability or significance.

4.3 Five random samples are required from lots equal to or less than 1000 packages. The number of samples required for lots greater than 1000 packages is dependent on the variation in the unit mass within the lot and is determined by the two-step sampling plan in 6.5.

4.4 The results of a visual examination, physical testing, and compositional analysis are required for each sample. The analytical data are further used to compute the probable minimum and the probable range for the average mass of each of the components.

5. Types of Roofing

5.1 Asphalt-coated roll roofing and shingles are divided into the following types for the purposes of these test methods (see Fig. 1).

5.1.1 Type 1—A single thickness of glass felt, coated with asphalt and mineral surfacing such as in Specifications D 2178, D 3462, D 3909, D 4601, and D 4897. The backing material (designated “Fine Mineral Surfacing” in Fig. 1) shall be permitted to be any suitable material that prevents these products from sticking together while packaged.

5.1.2 Type 2—A single thickness of asphalt-saturated felt coated with asphalt and mineral surfacing such as in Specifications D 225, D 2626, and D 6380, Class M. The backing material (designated “Fine Mineral Surfacing” in Fig. 1) shall be permitted to be any suitable material that prevents these products from sticking together while packaged.

5.1.3 Type 3—Similar to Type 2, but asphalt coated and surfaced with mineral granules for part of one side of the saturated felt such as in Specification D 6380, Class WS.

6. Sampling

6.1 The rolls or packages selected in accordance with this section constitute the representative sample used in Sections 7 and 8.

6.2 The lot is defined as a shipment or fraction thereof representing a product of the same kind, class, and mass.

6.3 Select five rolls or packages from the lot at random. Determine the average net mass per g/m² (lb/100 ft²) and the standard deviation in accordance with 7.1-7.8.

6.4 If the lot is 1000 or fewer rolls or packages, proceed to Section 7. If the lot is 1001 or greater in number, follow the second part of the sampling plan in 6.5.

6.5 Calculate the required number of samples based on the standard deviation (s) of the preliminary sampling by:

\[
 n = \frac{t^2 \cdot s^2}{d^2}
\]

where:

- \( n \) = total number of samples required (\( n - 5 \) more rolls or packages must be selected at random as samples),
- \( t \) = test statistic for number of samples in the preliminary test series for 4° and a 95 % confidence that the calculated average mass will not exceed \( d \) (\( t = 2.776 \)), and
- \( d = 100 \text{ g/m}^2 (2 \text{ lb/100 ft}^2) \) (the mean mass obtained from the analysis should be within ±100 g/m² of the true value, with 95 % confidence).

6.6 See Fig. 2.

7. As Received Mass and Area Determinations, All Types of Roofing

7.1 Gross Mass—Determine and record the mass of each representative sample to the nearest 0.1 kg (0.2 lb).

7.2 Net Mass—Disassemble each package or unroll each roll of the representative sample; shake off any loose surfacing and determine and record the net mass of all the shingles or the entire roll to the nearest 0.1 kg (0.2 lb). Where a product standard requires it, the loose surfacing is to be collected and the mass determined.

7.3 Packaging and Fixture Mass—Determine and record the mass to the nearest 0.1 kg (0.2 lb) of the packaging and all associated fixtures shipped with each roll or package of the representative sample, such as nails and adhesive.

7.4 Dimensions of Roll Products—Measure and record the length and width of each roll of roofing and the selvage width to the nearest 3 mm (½ in.).

7.5 Shingle Count and Dimensions—From each of the representative sample packages generated in Section 6, count and record the number of shingles in each package. Select one shingle randomly from each package. Measure the width, length, and cutout dimensions for each of these selected
7.6 Calculate the area of the roofing and the net mass per unit area of the roofing. Report the net mass per unit area as g/m² (lb/100 ft²) for each representative sample (without packaging, cut outs or loose surfacing).

7.7 Calculate and record the average net mass per unit area for the combined representative samples (without packaging, cut outs or loose surfacing) as g/m² (lb/100 ft²).

7.8 Calculate and record the estimate of the standard deviation by:

\[ s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2}{n-1} - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n(n-1)}} \]  

where:
- \( s \) = an unbiased estimate of the standard deviation,
- \( \sum X^2 \) = the sum of the squares of the individual mass determinations,
- \( (\sum X)^2 \) = the square of the sum of the individual mass determinations, and
- \( n \) = the number of rolls or packages in the representative sample.

7.9 Calculate the 95% confidence interval for the average mass by:

\[ \frac{\Sigma X}{n} \pm ts \sqrt{\frac{s^2}{n}} \]  

where:
- \( \Sigma X \) = sum of the individual mass determinations and
- \( t \) = appropriate \( t \) statistic for 95% confidence and \( n-1 \) dF (\( t = 2.776 \) for \( n = 5 \); consult standard reference table for other values of \( n \)).

8. Selection of Representative Specimens, All Roofing Types

8.1 Several product standards reference sampling as designated in Test Methods D 228 for tests that are not specifically covered by Test Methods D 228. Unless otherwise specified in these test methods, the large specimens and small test specimens shall all be selected from the representative sample (roll or package selected in Section 6) which has the individual net mass per unit area closest to the average net mass per unit area for the combined representative samples as determined in Section 7. If more than one roll or package needs to be selected...
to provide sufficient specimens for all the tests dictated within
the product standard, any additional specimens shall be se-
lected from the representative sample that has the net mass per
unit area that is next closest to the average net mass per unit
area of the combined representative samples.

NOTE 1—It is the intent of these test methods that whenever not
specifically directed to select specimens in some other manner, specimens
shall be selected from the representative sample which is the closest in
mass per unit area to the average mass per unit area of the combined
representative samples.

In Section 6, initial “Representative Samples” are selected (typically five per lot). These are full bundles or rolls. These are the samples used in Section 7.

In Section 8, one large “Specimen” is taken from each representative sample (full shingles from Section 7.5 or a portion of each roll selected in Section 6). These are confirmed to be within 1.5 % of the mass per area (from Section 7.6) for the corresponding representative sample.

In Section 9 (where product standards require measurement of water content per Test Method D 95), 50-g small test specimens are taken from each “Large Specimen” for determination of water.

In Section 10, five MD and five CD small test specimens are cut from one of the “Large Specimens” for evaluation of pliability.

In Section 11, two small test specimens are cut from one of the “Large Specimens” for evaluation of behavior on heating.

In Section 13, small test specimens (three for glass felt, four for organic felt) are cut from each of the “Large Specimens” for analysis by Section 14 (for glass felt) or by Section 15 (for organic felt).

FIG. 2 Sample Selection Summary and Flow Diagram
(See Individual Sections for Sample Selection Details)

9. Moisture

9.1 Determine the water in each sample in accordance with Test Method D 95; use 50 g (0.11 lb) of product for each
determination, cut up to fit in the flask. Report the water
content as a percent of the dry (water-free) product mass.

9.2 See Fig. 2.

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SHINGLES

10. Pliability

10.1 From one of the large specimens selected in Section 8, cut ten small test specimens 25.4 ± 3 mm (1 ± ¼ in.) in width
by 200 ± 50 mm (8 ± 2 in.) in length, five MD and five CD. Condition the small specimens and the block at 23 ± 2°C (73 ±
4°F) for 2 ± 0.1 h and perform the test at 23 ± 2°C (73 ±
4°F). Perform the test with the weather side up, at a uniform
speed through 90° in approximately 2 s over the rounded edge
of a block. If a water bath is needed to hold the designated
temperature, the samples are to be placed in a plastic bag
before placing them in the water bath so that they can be tested
dry. Evaluation of the sample for cracking is much clearer
when the sample does not have a wet surface.

10.1.1 The corner radius over which the small specimens are to be tested is typically specified in the individual product
standards. If not otherwise specified, the block will be 75 mm
minimum (3 in. minimum) square by 50 mm minimum (2 in.
minimum) thick with rounded corners of 13 ± 1 mm (½ ±
0.04 in.) radius for Type 2 roofing and 19 ± 1 mm (¾ ± 0.04
in.) radius for Types 1 and 3 roofing. When bending, hold
the specimens by hand tightly against the upper face of the block
and bend the projecting end of the specimen over the rounded
corner without exerting any stress other than that required to
keep the specimen in contact with the block and avoid kinking.

10.1.2 For coated products, failure of a specimen in this test
is defined as cracking of the coating asphalt which exposes the
reinforcement of the specimen (organic or fiberglass). The cracking shall be visible to the naked eye when the specimen is viewed in the bent condition on the mandrel block. Separation of granules or other superficial fissures which do not extend through the coating asphalt surface to the reinforcement do not constitute cracking. Fracture through the specimen is also considered a failure. Report the number of specimens passing.

**Note 2**—Some products require testing with granules surfacing up and granule surfacing down. Those products shall have that additional requirement clearly stated in their product standard. The additional samples are to be selected in a manner consistent with the instructions above. This test method is intended for use only with coated products. See Test Methods D 146 for pliability testing on non-coated products.

10.2 See Fig. 2.

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11. Weight Loss and Behavior on Heating

11.1 Cut two test specimens, each approximately 100 by 100 mm (4 by 4 in.) from a large specimen selected in accordance with Section 8. Condition the smaller specimens for 24 h in a desiccator, weigh to the nearest 0.1 g, and then by means of a thin wire fastened through holes punctured near one edge, suspend them vertically in the center of an air oven maintained at 80 ± 3°C (176 ± 5°F) with the cross machine direction vertical. The internal dimensions of the oven shall be not less than 305 by 305 by 305 mm (12 by 12 by 12 in.). The oven shall be electrically heated with forced draft. Insert a thermometer in the center of the oven to such a depth that its bulb is in line with the center of the specimens. Maintain the specimens at the prescribed temperature for 2 h ± 5 min, then cool in a desiccator and weigh each specimen. Calculate the average loss of volatile matter as percentage of the final specimen mass. Record any change in appearance of the specimen such as blistering, absorption of the asphalt coatings, or sliding of coating or granular surfacing. Record the extent of the latter to the nearest 2 mm (1/16 in.).

11.2 See Fig. 2.

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12. Tear Strength

12.1 **Tear Strength**—Use Test Method D 1922 as modified here.

12.1.1 Specimens shall be rectangular, 76 by 63 mm (3 by 2.5 in.) ± 3 %.

12.1.2 Condition specimens at 23 ± 2°C (73 ± 4°F) for at least 2 h prior to testing and conduct tests at 23 ± 2°C (73 ± 4°F).

12.1.3 Each specimen will be composed of a single layer. Cut specimens from shingles in areas free of sealing resin and release tape. The 76-mm edges of the specimens shall be parallel to the long dimension (machine direction) of the shingles so that the tears will run in the short dimension (cross machine direction) of the shingle. Enough specimens shall be prepared so that ten results can be recorded after excluding any that must be rejected as prescribed in 12.1.4.

12.1.4 Use an Elmendorf Tear Strength Tester with 3200 or 6400 g (31 or 63 N) full scale capacity. Make all tests with granule surface of specimens facing away from the knife blade. Do not reject the results from specimens that tear through a side edge as opposed to the top edge. Reject results of specimens that tear in such a way that the portion of the specimen that is in the stationary jaw rubs against the pendulum.

12.1.5 Report the average tear resistance of ten specimens to the nearest 0.1 N (10 g).

12.1.6 The following criteria shall be used to judge the acceptability of the results at the 95 % confidence level:

12.1.6.1 **Repeatability**—Duplicate results by the same operator should be considered suspect if they differ by more than 17 %.

12.1.6.2 **Reproducibility**—The results submitted by each of two laboratories should be considered suspect if they differ by more than 28 %.

13. Preparation and Selection of Small Specimens for Analyses

13.1 **Materials of Uniform Composition**—Each of the five large specimens selected in Section 8 is to have small test specimens cut for composition analysis. Cut 50- by 100- ± 1-mm (2- by 4- ± 1/32-in.) small test specimens from each of the large specimens. Compare the equivalent mass per unit area of the small test specimens to the mass per unit area previously generated for the large specimens (Section 8). For products that contain organic felt, four small test specimens must be cut from each large specimen that are within 1.5 % of the equivalent mass per unit area of the large specimen. For products that contain only glass felt, three small test specimens must be cut from each of the corresponding large specimens that are within 1.5 % of the equivalent mass per unit area of the large specimen. The small test specimens from each large specimen are to be kept together as a unit, separate from the small test specimens cut from the other large specimens. The “top” of each product is the surface that is applied toward the weather.

13.2 **Materials of Nonuniform Composition**—Cut 50- by 100- ± 1-mm (2- by 4- ± 1/32-in.) small test specimens that are representative of the different materials, types of surfacing or thickness present in the five large specimens from Section 8. By proportion, select small specimens that are within 1.5 % of the equivalent mass per unit area of each of the large specimens. In the case of laminated shingles, determine the weight per unit area and the relative area proportion for each ply configuration (proportion of each configuration for products which have additional combinations of single, double, triple, and so forth, layers). This relative proportion is to be determined from the average surface area measured on four consecutive shingles from one of the representative samples, measuring only the portion of the shingle that is exposed to the weather when applied in conformance with the manufacturer’s application instructions. The small specimens are to be cut so they represent the same proportion of each layer configuration as the entire exposed area of that large specimen. The balance of this analytical method assumes that a roofing product of uniform composition is being tested. Use the same procedures.
for the small specimen representative samples of the nonuniform products. At least five sets of four small representative specimens are required for each composition of products containing organic or asbestos felts; five sets of three small specimens are required for each composition containing glass felts.

**Note 3**—As an example, if a laminated shingle has some areas that are single thick and some that are double thick, determine what the relative percentages of single thickness and double thickness are for the exposed area of the shingle. The small test specimens shall be cut to represent the same proportion.

13.3 See Fig. 2.

14. Analysis of Glass Felt Products

14.1 **Total Net Mass**—Identify the specimen from each set of three small specimens cut in Section 13 that is the closest to representing the unit mass of the large specimen from which it was obtained. Record the mass of each specimen so selected, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Total Net Mass.” The top section of Fig. 3 shows the selection process for the five representative specimens for a fiberglass based product (note the weights for three small specimens).

14.2 **Total Asphalt**:

14.2.1 Wrap each of the small specimens identified in 14.1 in two layers of predried filter paper (Note 4), and secure each wrapped small specimen with a soft copper wire. Mark and record the mass of each wrapped specimen, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Total Mass + Tare.”

**Note 4**—Predry hardened Whatman No. 50, 185-mm (7.3-in.) diameter filter paper for 60 min at 80°C (176°F) oven. Store paper in desiccator until needed.

14.2.2 Extract the asphalt from each specimen from 14.2.1 in a soxhlet or similar extractor with 1,1,1 trichloroethane (Note 5) until the extract is clear. This can require up to 30 extraction hours. Dry the extracted specimens in a hood at room temperature. Final dry each specimen in a 105°C (221°F) ± 5 % forced draft oven for 60 min ± 10 %. Cool the specimens in a desiccator to room temperature and record the mass of each, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Extraction Residue + Tare.”

**Note 5**—1,1,1 trichloroethane is recommended because it is less toxic than alternate solvents and does not burn. Any suitable solvent can be used.

14.2.3 Record the difference in the mass measured in 14.2.1 and the mass measured in 14.2.2 as the “Total Asphalt.”

14.3 **Mineral Matter in the Extraction Residue**:

14.3.1 One at a time, open each package from 14.2.2 over a nest of No. 6 (3.25-mm), No. 70 (212-µm) sieves, and a pan. Retain the glass felt after removing, and putting in the sieve nest, as much of the fine mineral matter that is in or on the glass felt. Dust all mineral matter off the filter papers into the sieve nest and discard the cleaned papers and the wire.

14.3.2 Tap and shake the sieve nest until no change is noted in the contents of each sieve. Record the mass of the material retained on the No. 70 (212-µm) sieve, to the nearest 0.01 g, as the “Coarse Mineral Matter.” Record the mass of the material in the pan of the nest, to the nearest 0.01 g, as the “Unadjusted Fine Mineral Matter.”

14.4 **Felt in Glass Felt Products** (Fig. 4):

14.4.1 Determine the unadjusted mass of the glass felt from 14.3.1 to the nearest 0.01 g.

14.4.2 Clean the felt from 14.4.1 in an ultrasonic cleaning bath (Note 6), dry the cleaned felt in a forced draft 105°C (221°F) oven for 60 min ± 10 %, and determine its mass to the nearest 0.01 g.

14.4.3 Add the difference between the masses determined in 14.4.1 and 14.4.2 to the mass of the fine mineral matter in 14.3.2.

**Selection of Representative Specimens (Section 13)**

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**Analysis (Section 14)**

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**FIG. 3 Analysis of Roofing Products that Contain Glass Felts Work Sheet**

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N O T E 6—Steps 14.4.2 and 14.4.3 may be omitted if ultrasonic cleaning equipment is unavailable or was not used.

15. Analysis of Roofing Products with Organic or Asbestos Felts

15.1 Total Net Mass—Identify the specimen from each set of four small specimens cut in Section 13 that is the closest to representing the unit mass of the large specimen from which it was obtained. Record the mass of each specimen, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Total Net Mass.” The top section of Fig. 5 shows the selection process for the five representative specimens for an organic based product (note the weights for four small specimens).

15.2 Total Asphalt:

15.2.1 Wrap each of the small specimens identified in 15.1 in two layers of predried filter paper, and secure each wrapped small specimen with a soft copper wire. Mark and record the mass of each wrapped specimen, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Total Mass + Tare.”

15.2.2 Extract the asphalt from each specimen from 15.2.1 in a soxhlet or similar extractor with 1,1,1 trichloroethane until the extract is clear. This can require up to 30 extraction hours. Dry the extracted specimens in a hood at room temperature. Final dry each specimen in a 105°C (221°F) oven for 60 min ± 10 %, cool in a desiccator and record the mass of each, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Extraction Residue + Tare.”

15.2.3 Record the difference in the mass measured in 15.2.1 and the mass measured in 15.2.2 as the “Total Asphalt.”

15.3 Mineral Matter in the Extraction Residue:

15.3.1 Warm the last two of the small specimens of each small specimen set from Section 13 for not more than 5 min at a temperature of not more than 65°C (150°F), and with a sharp knife or spatula separate them into three horizontal sections at approximately the planes indicated by the arrows a and b in Fig. 1. Remove both the top and back coatings, with the attached surfacing, and a thin layer of felt, so that a thin layer of asphalt saturated felt core is obtained free of other materials. Discard the top and back coating sections.

15.3.2 Wrap each specimen in one layer of predried filter paper secured with a copper wire. Record the mass of the wrapped felt, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Saturated Felt + Tare.”

15.3.3 Extract each specimen from 15.3.2 in a soxhlet extractor with 1,1,1 trichloroethane until the extract is clear. Dry each package in a hood to remove most of the solvent, finish the drying in a forced draft vented oven at 105°C (221°F) ± 5 % for 60 min ± 10 %, cool in a desiccator and record the mass, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Desaturated Felt + Tare.”

15.4 Unadjusted Total Dry Felt Mass—Dry each felt from 15.3.1 in a 105°C (221°F) ± 5 % forced draft oven for 60 min ± 10 %, cool in a desiccator and record the mass as the “Unadjusted Dry Felt.” Save the felt for work in Section 16.

15.5 Top Coating Analysis:

15.5.1 Total Top Mass—Identify the small specimen of the four cut in Section 13 that is the second closest to representing the unit mass of the large specimen from which it was obtained. (The first was used in 15.1.) Warm the small specimen for not more than 5 min at a temperature of not more than 65°C (150°F), and with a sharp knife or spatula, pull off the back coating and part of the saturated felt in the horizontal plane indicated by the arrow b in Fig. 1.

15.5.2 Repeat all the steps in 15.2-15.4 to record the “Total Top Mass,” “Total Top Asphalt,” “Top Coarse Mineral Matter,” “Top Unadjusted Fine Mineral Matter,” and “Unadjusted Top Felt.”

15.6 Percent Saturation:

15.6.1 Warm the last two of the small specimens of each small specimen set from Section 13 for not more than 5 min at a temperature of not more than 65°C (150°F), and with a sharp knife or spatula separate them into three horizontal sections at approximately the planes indicated by the arrows a and b in Fig. 1. Remove both the top and back coatings, with the attached surfacing, and a thin layer of felt, so that a thin layer of asphalt saturated felt core is obtained free of other materials. Discard the top and back coating sections.

15.6.2 Wrap each specimen in one layer of predried filter paper secured with a copper wire. Record the mass of the wrapped felt, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Saturated Felt + Tare.”

15.6.3 Extract each specimen from 15.6.2 in a soxhlet extractor with 1,1,1 trichloroethane until the extract is clear. Dry each package in a hood to remove most of the solvent, finish the drying in a forced draft vented oven at 105°C (221°F) ± 5 % for 60 min ± 10 %, cool in a desiccator and record the mass, to the nearest 0.01 g, as “Desaturated Felt + Tare.”

15.6.4 Carefully unwrap the felt pieces from 15.6.2, redry, cool in a desiccator and record the mass, to the nearest 0.01 g, as the “Desaturated Felt.” Save the felts for the work in Section 16.
16. Ash of Desaturated Felt

16.1 Ash of the desaturated felts obtained in 15.4, 15.5.2, and 15.6.4 separately in predried tared crucibles, either over an open flame or in a muffle furnace, until all carbon has been consumed. After cooling, add to each ash approximately five times its mass of saturated ammonium carbonate solution, let digest for 60 min at room temperature in a covered beaker or crucible, dry in an oven at 105 to 110°C (221 to 230°F) to constant mass, and record the net mass as "ash."

16.2 The percentage of ash in the center portion (from 15.6.4) is assumed to be the true percentage of ash of the felt. The difference between this ash and the percentage of ash of the felts recovered in 15.4 and 15.5.2 is presumed to be included mineral matter from the coating. This percentage
difference is converted to mass and added to the mass of fine mineral matter to obtain the “Total Dry Felt” and “Top Dry Felt.” The corresponding correction is made to the mass of extracted felt from extraction of total and the top coating analyses.

17. Calculation

17.1 Use the adjusted mass of the dry felt from each total sample to calculate the mass of the dry felt in g/m² (lb/100 ft²) (Note 7).

Note 7—Multiply the mass in grams by 3.97 to obtain the mass in lb/100 ft² for a 2'- by 4-in. sample. Use 200 as the factor to obtain g/m².

17.2 Calculate the percent saturation in each small sample as 100 times the difference between the masses in 15.6.2 and 15.6.3 divided by the mass in 15.6.4. Use the mean of at least two determinations in all further calculations.

17.3 Calculate the mass of the saturant by multiplying the dry felt mass in 17.1 by the mean percent saturation from 16.2 divided by 100.

17.4 Calculate the mass of the saturant in the top coating analysis by multiplying the adjusted mass of the top dry felt by the mean percent saturation divided by 100. Convert the mass calculated to the mass in g/m² (lb/100 ft²).

17.5 Calculate the mass of asphalt in each total sample by converting the mass in 15.2.3 to g/m² (lb/100 ft²).

17.6 Calculate the mass of asphalt in each top sample by converting the mass in 15.5.2 to g/m² (lb/100 ft²).

17.7 Deduct the saturant mass in 17.3 from the asphalt mass in the total sample in 17.5 to obtain the total unfilled asphalt coating.

17.8 Deduct each saturant mass in 17.4 from each top asphalt mass in 17.6 to obtain each total unfilled asphalt coating.

17.9 Deduct each top coating mass in 17.8 from each total unfilled coating mass in 17.7 to obtain each back unfilled coating mass.

17.10 Convert each mass of the total coarse mineral matter and the total unadjusted fine mineral matter from 15.3.2 to g/m² (lb/100 ft²).

17.11 Convert each mass of the top coarse mineral matter and the top unadjusted fine mineral matter from 15.5.2 to g/m² (lb/100 ft²).

17.12 Deduct each mass of the top coarse mineral matter in 17.11 from the total coarse mineral matter in 17.10 to obtain the unadjusted mass of the bottom surfacing.

17.13 Deduct each mass of the top unadjusted fine mineral matter in 17.11 from each total unadjusted fine mineral matter in 17.10 to obtain the unadjusted mass of the fine mineral matter in the back coating.

18. Adjusting Back Coating Fine Mineral Matter and Back Surfacing

18.1 Fine mineral matter from the back surfacing frequently includes fine mineral matter from the back coating. To adjust both the back coating fine mineral matter and the back surfacing, assume that the percent of the fine mineral matter, based on the combined masses of the top asphalt coating and the top fine mineral matter, is a constant. Adjust the fine mineral matter in the back coating by reducing it to the same percentage of fine mineral matter as found in the top filled coating. Add the excess fine mineral matter to the “Total Coarse Mineral Matter” less the “Top Coarse Mineral Matter” to obtain the “Back Surfacing” (Note 8).

Note 8—The accuracy of this procedure depends on the screen grading of the back surfacing used on the product, and a negative quantity of back surfacing is sometimes determined with these test methods as a result of normal mass variations between specimens.

19. Report

19.1 Report the data on a form similar to Figs. 3 and 4 for Type 1 products and Figs. 5 and 6 for Types 2 and 3 products or in any manner convenient to the user. Report all percentages to the nearest 0.1 %. Report all mass per unit area data to the nearest 0.5 g/m² (0.01 lb/100 ft²).

19.2 Figs. 3-6 show the sources of the data and some of the steps in the calculations from the raw data.

20. Precision and Bias

20.1 Precision—Interlaboratory round robin tests show that the variation within a product can be greater than the variation between laboratories. Data from two laboratories can be compared statistically using the following procedure:

20.1.1 Calculate the mean variance of each set of data using:

\[ V = \frac{s^2}{n} \]  

(4)

where:

- \( V \) = mean variance,
- \( s \) = estimated standard deviation, and
- \( n \) = number of samples.

20.1.2 Calculate the “effective number of degrees of freedom” using:

\[ f = \frac{(V_A + V_B)^2}{(V_A)^2/n_A + (V_B)^2/n_B} - 2 \]  

(5)

where:

- \( f \) = effective number of degrees of freedom,
- \( V_A \) and \( V_B \) = mean variance of each data set as calculated in 19.1, and
- \( n_A \) and \( n_B \) = number of samples in each set.

20.1.3 Look up the value for \( t \) in Table 1, the student’s \( t \)-distribution for the effective number of degrees of freedom at a significance level of 0.05.

20.1.4 Compute the maximum probable difference between the averages of each set using:

\[ u = 0.975 \times (V_A + V_B)^{0.5} \]  

(6)

20.1.5 There is no significant difference between the data sets if the difference between the averages of each set is less than \( u \).

20.1.6 In case of dispute, if the difference between the data averages is significant, retesting by both laboratories, or testing by an independent referee laboratory, is recommended.

20.2 Bias—There is no known bias in these test methods.

21. Keywords

21.1 analysis; asphalt; cap sheets; composition; physical testing; roll roofing; sampling; shingles
### Table 1: Student’s t-Distribution, 0.05 Significance Level

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