

TQC CROSS CUT ADHESION TEST - BASIC CUTTER

SP1660, SP1661, SP1662, SP1663, SP1664

DATASHEET

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The TQC Cross Cut Adhesion Test (Basic Cutter) is used to test the adhesion of dry coats of paint on their substrate by means of a series of cuts through the coating. Two series of lines are cut at right angles to obtain a pattern of 25 / 100 squares. The ruled area is evaluated (by using a table chart) after a short treatment with a stiff brush, or adhesive tape (hard substrates).

**BUSINESS**

Protective Coatings, Corrosion Control, Coating Laboratories, Paint Production, Surface Finishing, Powder Coating, Decorative Coating, Building Maintenance

STANDARDS

ISO 2409, ASTM D3359

FEATURES

- Self-adjusting knife-holder ensures equal pressure on the cutting knife
- Ergonomically shaped handle
- Easy to change cutting knife, no extra key needed
- Wide range of knife sizes available for different coating thicknesses and substrates and according to different standards.

SCOPE OF SUPPLY

- CC2000 knife holder + grip
- Knife of choice (see below schedule)
- Allen key

ORDERING INFORMATION

Art-Nr.	SP1660		SP1661		SP1662	SP1663	SP1664
Blades	6		6		6	11	11
Teeth distance	1mm / 0,039 inch		2mm / 0,079 inch		3mm / 0,12 inch	1mm / 0,039 inch	1,5mm / 0,059 inch
Acc. To	ISO 2409	ASTM D3359	ISO 2409	ASTM D3359	ISO2409	ASTM D3359 <2009	ASTM D3359 <2009
Coating thickness on hard substrates	0-60µm / 0-2,4 mils	0-50µm / 0-2 mils	61-120µm / 2,4-4,8 mils	50-125µm / 2-4,9 mils	121-250µm / 4,8-9,8 mils	0-50µm / 0-2 mils	50-125µm / 2-4,9 mils
Coating thickness on soft substrates	-		0-60µm / 0-2,4 mils				
Spare knives	SP1702		SP1703		SP1704	SP1705	SP1706

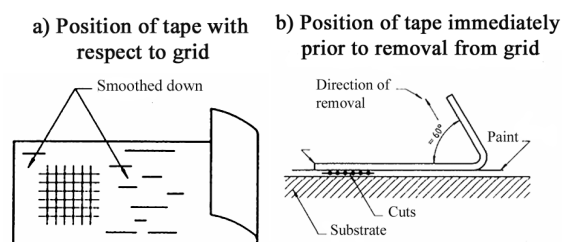
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





SP1702 - Spare knife ISO 1 mm
 SP1703 - Spare knife ISO 2 mm
 SP1704 - Spare knife ISO 3 mm
 SP1705 - Spare knife ASTM 1 mm
 SP1706 - Spare knife ASTM 1,5 mm
 SP3007 - Adhesion tape, single roll,
 adhesion to steel 4.3 N/cm

SP3010 - Adhesion tape, set of 3 rolls, adhesion to steel 4.3 N/cm
 SP3020 - Adhesion tape, single roll, adhesion to steel 7.6 N/cm
 SP1710 - Nylon Brush for Cross Cut Adhesion Test
 SP1715 - Robust carrying case
 SP9700 - Lighted Magnifier 2.5x

USE

- Make sure the surface to be tested is rigid and firm
- Make two cuts/scratch, perpendicular to each other, drawing the handle with the appropriate cutter (depending on coating thickness and substrate) through the coating into the substrate thus making the lattice pattern.
- Brush the pattern lightly with the supplied brush several times back and forth along each of the diagonal lines of the lattice pattern.
- For hard substrates only the test can be extended by applying the adhesive tape parallel to one set of cuts over the lattice pattern and pull it off steadily in 0.5 to 1 sec. at a 60° angle within 5 minutes after applying for ISO. For ASTM within 90s \pm 30s at a 180° angle.
- Carefully examine the cut area, if required using the magnifier and classify the test



Classification		Description	Appearance of surface of cross-cut area from which flaking has occurred (example for 6 parallel cuts)
ISO	ASTM		
0	5B	The edges of the cross-cut are completely smooth: none of the squares of the lattice is detached	
1	4B	Detachment of small flakes of the coating at the intersections of the cuts. A cross-cut area not significantly greater than 5% is affected	
2	3B	The coating has flaked along the edges and/or at the intersections of the cuts. A cross-cut area significantly greater than 5%, but not significantly greater than 15%, is affected	
3	2B	The coating has flaked along the edges of the cuts partly or wholly in large ribbons, and/or it has flaked partly or wholly on different parts of the squares. A cross-cut area significantly greater than 15%, but not significantly greater than 35%, is affected	
4	1B	The coating has flaked along the edges of the cuts in large ribbons and/or some squares have detached partly or wholly. A cross-cut area significantly greater than 35%, but not significantly greater than 65%, is affected	
5	0B	Any degree of flaking that cannot even be classified by classification 4	

SPECIAL CARE

- Though robust in design, this instrument is precision-machined. Never drop it or knock it over
- Always clean the instrument after use.
- Clean the instrument using a soft dry cloth. Never clean the instrument by any mechanical means such as a wire brush or abrasive paper. This may cause, just like the use of aggressive cleaning agents, permanent damage.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- A knife is a sharp object. Be careful when using it.
- Always use the cassette to store the knife

DISCLAIMER

The right of technical modifications is reserved.

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