



Standard Specification for Maleic Anhydride¹

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1. Scope

- 1.1 This specification covers maleic anhydride.
- 1.2 Consult current OSHA regulations and supplier's Material Safety Data Sheets, and local regulations for all materials used in this specification.
- 1.3 The following applies to all specified limits in this specification: for purposes of determining conformance with this specification, an observed value or a calculated value shall be rounded off "to the nearest unit" in the last right-hand digit used in expressing the specification limit, in accordance with the rounding-off method of Practice E 29.

2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 *ASTM Standards*:
 - D 1493 Test Method for Solidification Point of Industrial Organic Chemicals²
 - D 3366 Test Method for Color of Maleic Anhydride and Phthalic Anhydride in the Molten State and After Heating

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² *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 06.04.

- (Platinum-Cobalt Scale)²
- D 3438 Practice for Sampling and Handling Naphthalene, Maleic Anhydride, and Phthalic Anhydride²
- E 29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications³
- 2.2 *Other Document*:
 - OSHA Regulations*, 29 CFR, paragraphs 1910.1000 and 1910.1200⁴

3. Properties

3.1 Maleic anhydride shall conform to the following requirements:

Property	Specification	ASTM Test Method
Solidification point, min, °C	52.5	D 1493
Molten color, max	25	D 3366
Molten color after heating, max	40	D 3366

4. Sampling

4.1 This material shall be sampled in accordance with Practice D 3438.

5. Keywords

5.1 color; maleic anhydride; solidification point

³ *Annual Book of ASTM Standards*, Vol 14.02.

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