

Test Method for Determining the Amount of Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Released From Waterborne Automotive Coatings and Available for Removal in a VOC Control Device (Abatement)¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This test method describes the determination of the amount of volatile organic compound (VOC) released from applied waterborne automotive coatings that is available for delivery to a VOC control device. The determination is accomplished by measuring the weight loss of a freshly coated test panel subject to evaporation or drying and by analysis of the VOC or water content in the coating.

1.2 This test method is applicable to the VOC released from application and baking operations after the paint has been applied in a simulation of a production process, or in an actual production facility.

1.3 Symbols and calculations from several other methods that determine VOC: Practice D 3960, EPA 450/3-88-018 and EPA 450/3-84-019 have been incorporated into this test method. The majority of symbols and calculations used in this test method are unique because this test method deals uniquely with differences in weight of applied paint samples that have been subject to drying, curing or solvent addition.

NOTE 1—Training and knowledge of the product being evaluated are essential for obtaining meaningful data from this test method. It is recommended that several practice runs be performed, and the laboratories repeatability evaluated before performing this test on the test samples.

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

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 whoever uses this standard to consult and establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to its use.

2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:
- D 343 Specification for 2–Ethoxyethyl Acetate (95 %) Grade²
- D 1186 Test Methods for Nondestructive Measurement of Dry Film Thickness of Non-magnetic Coatings Applied to a Ferrous Base³
- D 1193 Specification for Reagent Water⁴
- D 1475 Test Method for Density of Liquid Coatings, Inks, and Related Products³
- D 2369 Test Method for Volatile Content of Coatings³
- D 2697 Test Method for Volume Nonvolatile Matter in Clear or Pigmented Coatings³
- D 3960 Practice for Determining Volatile Organic compound (VOC) Content of Paints and Related Coatings³
- D 4017 Test Method for Water in Paints and Paint Materials by Karl Fisher Method³
- E 145 Specification for Gravity-Convention and Forced-Ventilation Ovens⁵
- E 691 Practice for Conducting an Interlaboratory Study to Determine the Precision of a Test Method⁶
- 2.2 U.S. EPA Standards:⁷
- EPA 450/3-88-018 (Dated December, 1988). Environmental Protection Agency Protocol for Determining the Daily Volatile Organic Compound Emission Rate of Automobile and Light Duty Truck Topcoat Operations. This protocol describes procedures for determining VOC emission reduction credit in abatement processes.
- EPA Federal Reference Method 24 (Ref. 40CFR, part 60, Appendix A). Determination of Volatile Matter Content, Water Content, Density, Volume Solids, of Surface Coatings.

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² Discontinued 1980; see 1979 Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Part 29.

³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 06.01.

⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 11.01.

⁵ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.04.

⁶ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.02.

⁷ Available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

EPA 450/3-84-019 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Procedures for Certifying Quantity of Organic Compound Emitted by Paint, Ink, and Other Coatings

3. Summary of Test Method

3.1 This procedure measures the loss of VOC from a freshly coated surface by; (*a*) determining the difference in weight of a coated test panel before and after various steps in a process, (*b*) analyzing a sample of the applied coating for VOC or water content, or both, by gas chromatography (GC), or Karl Fisher, or both, before and after various steps in a process, and (*c*) calculating the VOC directly or after subtracting the water content. With these analyses, it is possible to relate the VOC loss to the volume of solids deposited on the test panel at each step of a process. The information obtained is used to determine the amount of VOC available for removal by the VOC control device at each step of a process (see Fig. 1).

4. Significance and Use

4.1 This test method provides basic engineering data that may be used to determine the amount of VOC delivered to the inlet of a VOC control device. The procedure is useful for establishing the quantity of VOC that is evolved from the coating in the flash zone or bake oven and available to be incinerated, although the same procedure can be followed when other forms of VOC abatement are used.

4.2 The total amount of VOC removed from the process by the VOC control device is a function of the amount available as given by this test method combined with the VOC removal efficiency of the control device.

5. Apparatus and Materials for the Analyses

NOTE 2—*Purity of Reagents*—Reagent grade chemicals shall be used in all tests. Unless otherwise indicated, it is intended that all reagents shall conform to the specification of the Committee on Analytical Reagents of the American Chemical Society, where such specifications are available. Other grades may be used, provided it is ascertained that the reagent is of sufficiently high purity to permit its use without lessening the accuracy of the determination. The references to purity of water, unless otherwise indicated, shall be understood to mean Type II reagent grade water conforming to Specification D 1193.

Sample Preparation:

5.1 *Thin Steel Panels*, with an area of 310 cm^2 (48 in.²) or smaller.

5.2 *Laboratory Balance*, with accuracy to 0.001 g (minimum).

5.3 *Laboratory Spray Booth*, for application of the test coating, with air flow representative of production conditions.

5.4 *Spray Application Equipment*, selected to represent that used in a production process or sufficiently similar that the equipment will produce comparable performance.

5.5 *Film Thickness Gage*, for measuring dry paint thickness on metal surfaces (see Test Methods D 1186).

5.6 Laboratory Force-Draft Bake Oven, Type-IIA or Type IIB, as specified in Specification E 145.

5.7 *Wide-Mouth Glass Jars*, with TFE-fluorocarbon-lined caps or polypropylene copolymer bottles, one for each sample.

5.8 Smooth Aluminum Foil, (grade may vary).

5.9 Ultrasonic Cleaner unit, with 0.95 L (1 qt) capacity minimum.

5.10 *Laboratory Scale Paint Shaker* (violent agitation) 3.8 L (1-gal) capacity.

5.11 *Wood tongue Depressor or Tweezers*, if desired to roll foil.

Apparatus and Reagents for GC Analysis:

5.12 *Gas Chromatograph*, equipped with a flame ionization detector, electronic reporting integrator, capillary split injection port, and autosampler (where available).

5.13 Chromatographic Syringe, (10.0 µL).

5.14 *Analytical Balance*, accurate to 0.1mg is needed, for this method.

5.15 Sealable Vials, (20 mL) scintillation.

5.16 Medicine Droppers.

5.17 Analytical Column—capillary, (30 meter) (0.25 mm) inside diameter,

5.17.1 film thickness, fused silica DB-5 or equivalent.

5.18 Autosampler Vials.

5.19 Pipet Volumetric.

5.20 *Volumetric Flask*, for calibration standard and internal standard solutions.

5.21 Bottles, with good sealing caps for standard solutions.

5.22 *Solvents Standards*, expected to be found in the coating to be tested.

5.23 Tetrahydrofuran (THF)-HPLC grade, uninhibited.

5.24 *Cyclohexanol*—98 % or appropriate grade reagent.

5.25 Water.

5.26 Acetone—HPLC grade.

5.27 Methanol—HPLC grade.

5.28 *Dimethylformamide* (*DMF*)—HPLC grade.

5.29 *Chromatography Gases*—Helium of 99.9995 % purity or higher. Hydrogen of 99.9995 % minimum purity. Air, "dry" quality, free of hydrocarbons.

Apparatus and Reagents for KF Analysis:

5.30 40-mL Volatile Organic Analysis (VOA) Vials, with TFE-fluorocarbon lined caps.

5.31 Methanol-Low water grade (<0.008 % by K.F.)

5.32 Karl Fisher Titrator, or equivalent coulometric.

5.33 Reagents, appropriate for titrator.

5.34 Associated Glassware, for the tests (pipetes, volumetric flasks, etc).

5.35 Water, for calibration of the test instrument.

Apparatus and Reagents for Solids Density (Test Methods D 2369, D 1475, D 2697; EPA Federal Reference Method 24):

5.36 Syringe, 5 mL.

5.37 Weighing or Bottle with eye dropper.

5.38 Test Tube, with new cork stopper.

5.39 *Aluminum Foil Dish*, 58 mm (2.3 in.) in diameter by 18 mm (0.71 in.) high with a smooth bottom surface.

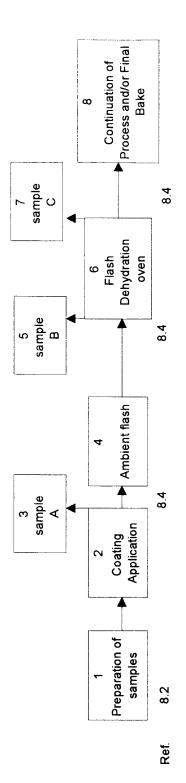
5.40 Laboratory Force-Draft Bake Oven Type IIA or Type-IIB, as specified in Specification E 145.

b, as specified in Specification E 145.

5.41 Analytical Balance, with accuracy to 0.1 mg.

5.42 Toluene, minimum technical grade,

5.43 *Ethoxyethyl Acetate*, minimum technical grade, Specification D 343.



Samples A, B, C include Foils for % NV, GC, and/or KF Analysis.

			FIG. 1 Test Panel Processing
8.5	8.6	8.7	
Karl Fisher (KF)	G. C. Analysis	% Non-Volatiles	

6. Coating Materials

6.1 The coating materials used are to be in the "as applied condition", for example, representative of the specific formulation used in the coating process to be evaluated.

7. Conditions

7.1 Prior to beginning the test, determine the following conditions that represent the production process:

(1) Dry film thickness,

(2) Process sequence flash times,

(3) Air flow,

(4) Percent solids content after dehydration, and

(5) Temperature and humidity conditions for each significant step of the process.

7.1.1 With the information obtained, establish test parameters that represent the range of conditions found in the plant. Specific application parameters need not duplicate exact production conditions as long as the above parameters are controlled for this test.

7.2 Identify all locations in the process sequence in which flash zone/oven effluent is vented directly to a VOC control device. The number of locations will affect the number of panel weight measurements taken and the number of panels that need to be tested.

8. Procedures

8.1 *Parameters to Evaluate and General Method to Collect Samples:*

8.1.1 Parameters to be evaluated are as follows:

(1) Determination of water content by Karl Fisher Titration (KF) or

(2) Determination of organic solvent content by gas chromatography (GC), or both, and

(3) Determination of volatiles and nonvolatiles (% NV) during flash/baking operations.

8.2 Use of Panels and Foil:

8.2.1 For each location identified in 7.2, prepare test panels in duplicate as a minimum or as agreed upon between the involved parties.

NOTE 3—Thin steel panels 101.6 by 304.8 mm (4 by 12 in.) are preferred. If spray area is limited, smaller panels such as 101.6 by 152.4 mm (4 by 6 in.) can be used. Foils should be 13 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ in.) larger in size than the area to be sprayed for easiness in handling.

8.2.2 Specified time at which the samples need to be collected. The following is suggested as a guideline throughout the rest of this procedure:

(1) Immediately after paint application, (Sample A)

(2) Entrance to Dehydration Ovens, (Sample B)

(3) Exit of Dehydration Oven, (Sample C)

Where only the dehydration oven is exhausted to the VOC Control Device for example calculations in Section 11.

8.2.3 Preparation of Samples:

8.2.3.1 Dry and label sufficient sheets of foil (i=1, ..., n) for each test (A_i ; B_i ; C_i) to constant weight to remove residual moisture.

8.2.3.2 Record each foil weight (F_{Ai} ; F_{Bi} ; F_{Ci}).

8.2.4 Wrap or secure foils on panels so some area (minimum of $\frac{1}{2}$ in. (13 mm) per side) remains unpainted for the future handling.

8.2.5 Weigh jars and lids prior to spraying. Record the data. Record each jar and lid weight $(J_{Ai}; J_{Bi}; J_{Ci})$.

8.2.6 Prepare as a minimum one additional steel panel per spray out (for film thickness verification) to be sprayed with the foiled panels. All panels can be sprayed simultaneously. Alternatively, the spraying could be broken into families of various panels for each one of the requested tests for % NV, KF, and GC.

NOTE 4—"Trip blanks" are analyzed for all parameters of interest. Trip blanks are often prepared by the laboratory and submitted to the sampling team when bottle ware is delivered. The trip blank accompanies all of the project samples through all custody changes in possession, coolers, and refrigerators. Trip blanks are *not* opened by the sampling team. The trip blanks provide information with respect to contamination that is" picked-up" during sample packaging, shipping and storage.

NOTE 5—The "field blank" is a portion of the sampling matrix that is carried through the entire analytical scheme. The field blank is treated exactly as the actual sample is treated. For example, the field blank vial is opened and closed when the corresponding sample vial is opened and closed. It is important that the volume/weight of the field blanks be the same as that of the samples.

8.3 Spraying Samples:

8.3.1 Apply basecoat using an automated device (preferred for consistency) to target film build simulating assembly plant processing conditions.

8.4 Collection of Samples:

8.4.1 At the sampling points specified in 8.2.2, the foil samples for KF and GC analyses need to be placed in jars with a specified solvent (8.5 and 8.6). The samples for % NV just need to be weighed at the sampling point. Then, they are baked at final bake condition and re-weighed.

8.4.2 Roll up foil paint side out for KF (8.5) and GC (8.6).

8.4.3 Place coated foil (8.4.1) immediately into a jar of size depending upon foil size. Weigh jars, lids, and coated foils. Record weights (K_{Ai} ; K_{Bi} ; K_{Ci}) including field blanks (see 8.2.6).

8.4.4 Fold foils paint side in for % NV (8.7).

8.5 Water Content by KF:

8.5.1 Water Content Solvent Preparation:

8.5.1.1 Analyze a sample of the bulk methanol for water content by the Karl Ficher Method in accordance with Test Method D 4017 to check purity of reagent.

8.5.1.2 Fill each jar (as described in 8.4.1.1) with 30 mL of methanol. Foil should be completely submerged in methanol.

8.5.1.3 Reweigh jars, lids, coated foils and methanol and record weights $(L_{Ai}; L_{Bi}; L_{Ci})$.

8.5.1.4 Place the capped jars containing methanol and foil strips into an ultrasonic cleaning unit until sample is uniformly dispersed into the methanol.

8.5.2 Sample Analysis:

8.5.2.1 Follow the procedure for KF Titration in accordance with Test Method D 4017.

8.5.2.2 Fill a 5.0-mL disposable syringe with a well mixed representative portion of the methanol from one of the glass sample jars. Perform this step in a low humidity room or chamber.

8.5.2.3 Weigh and transfer enough of each sample into the Karl Fischer titration vessels so that at least 10 mL of KF reagent will be required to reach the endpoint. Repeat for each

sample and all blank vials.

8.5.3 Calculation of % Water in the Paint Sample on a Wt./Wt. Basis:

8.5.3.1 Determine the weight of sample paint on the foil P_i as follows:

$$P_{\rm i} = K_{\rm i} - (F_{\rm i} + J_{\rm i}) \tag{1}$$

where:

i = foil i,

 K_i = weight of jar, lid, foil and paint (4.1.1),

 F_i = weight of foil (8.2.3.2), and

 J_i = weight of jar and lid (8.2.5).

8.5.3.2 Determine the weight of methanol used for Sample $M_{\rm i}$.

$$M_{\rm i} = L_{\rm i} - K_{\rm i} \tag{2}$$

where:

i = foil i,

 L_i = weight of jar, lid, foil, paint and methanol, and K_i = weight of jar, lid, foil and paint.

8.5.3.3 Calculate the % water (corrected for % water in the field blank) in the paint sample on a weight/weight basis as follows:

$$\% H_2O (wt./wt.) =$$
 (3)

$$\frac{[(\% \text{ water in sample}) \times (M_i + P_i) - (\% \text{ water in field blank})(M_i)}{P_i}$$

where:

i = foil i, $M_i = \text{weight of methanol},$ $P_i = \text{weight of paint specimen, and}$ % Water = percent water from 8.5.2.

8.5.3.4 Calculate the % VOC in the paint sample on a weight/weight basis as follows:

% VOC (wt./wt.) = %
$$V - \% H_2O$$
 (wt./wt.) (4)

where:

% V = % volatiles as determined in 8.7.

8.6 Procedure for GC Analysis:

8.6.1 *Chromatographic Conditions*:

8.6.1.1 Set up the instrument according to manufacturer's instructions using the following parameters:

Detector Flame Ionization Detector		
Hydrogen flow	30 mL/min	
Air flow	400 mL/min	
Make-up (helium)	30 mL/min	
Carrier gas (hydrogen)	40 cm/s ^A	
Detector temperature	275°C	
Injection port temperature	250°C ^B	
Split ratio	50:1 ^{<i>C</i>}	
Oven temperature	40°C	
Temperature 1	40°C	
Time 1	5 min	
Rate	4°C/min	
Temperature 2	220°C	
Time 2	20 min	
Injection volume	1.0 µL, or other volume as	
	dictated by the sensitivity	

^AHelium may be used as an alternative carrier gas.

^BThe injection port temperature can be decreased to permit the analysis of thermally unstable samples; however, each case must be individually investigated. ^CThis may be adjusted according to the theoretical level of solvent composition.

8.6.2 Standard and Sample Preparation:

8.6.2.1 *Internal Standard*—The internal standard used should be a solvent with a chemical structure similar to the analytes, which is not in the sample matrix, and does not coelute with any other volatiles in the sample. Most solvent analyses can be done utilizing cyclohexanol for the internal standard provided it is soluble in the dilution solvent. The use of multiple internal standards could be employed based on the range of analytes. Use of alternative internal standards should be noted in the final report.

8.6.2.2 *Dilution Solvent*—A dilution solvent must be chosen that satisfactorily dissolves the sample and at the same time does not interfere with or obscure any solvent peak of interest in the sample. THF is the preferred solvent for dilution for most paints and resins, followed by acetone. Methanol, dimethyl formamide (DMF) and water are appropriate for insoluble water based systems. The solvent should always be injected separately for observation of contaminants and possible interference peaks, especially in trace analysis. These solvents do not preclude the selection of any other solvent for dilution at the analyst's discretion.

8.6.2.3 Internal Standard Solution:

(1) This solution is used to dilute the collected paint samples. The internal standard solution should be prepared with respect to the level of the solvents present in the sample and/or the sample viscosity. The prepared sample must be easily dispensed into the syringe. For this reason, the amount of internal standard and dilution solvent may have to be adjusted. Best results are obtained when the solvent of highest theoretical concentration is reduced to about the 1 % level. This is accomplished by diluting the sample with 1 g of diluting solvent for every percent of the solvent in question present. The internal standard concentration should not be greater than the highest concentration solvent present in the sample.

(2) The internal standard solution can be prepared in the following manner: A 250-mL volumetric flask is accurately weighed and tared on an analytical balance. Add 0.5 g of the internal standard carefully to the volumetric flask. The weight of the internal standard added should be recorded to 0.1 mg. Adjustments to the internal standard concentration can be made if necessary. The dilution solvent (THF) is added to the volumetric flask up to the volume mark indicated on the flask. The flask is capped and the solution is mixed thoroughly. Transfer the solution to a clean glass bottle with a good sealing cap.

8.6.2.4 Calibration Standard Preparation—Prepare a calibration standard with the solvents of interest and the internal standard. This is done in the following manner: A 20-mL sealable vial is accurately weighed and tared on an analytical balance. Each of the solvents of interest and the internal standard are added at the 1-drop (\sim 0.02 g) level and their weights recorded. All weights should be recorded to 0.1 mg. Deliver 5 mL of dilution solvent (THF) to this vial. Lower concentrations may be achieved through further dilution with THF if necessary.

8.6.2.5 Sample Preparation—Carefully pipette 10 mL of the internal standard solution into each of the jars containing the collected GC samples in 8.4.1. Minimize the time that the jar is open in order to prevent sample loss. After the internal

standard solution is addled, ensure that the caps on the jars are tight. Shake the jars vigorously until all of the paint is dissolved in the dilution solvent and the foils are clean of paint. Transfer the samples to the GC autosampler vials and cap tightly.

8.6.2.6 Determine the weight of sample paint on the foil P_i as follows:

$$P_{i} = K_{i} - [F_{i} + J_{i}]$$
(5)

where:

i = foil i, K_i = weight of jar, lid, foil and paint (4.1.1),

 F_i = weight of foil (8.2.3.2), and

 J_i = weight of jar and lid (8.2.5).

8.6.3 Instrument Calibration:

8.6.3.1 Inject 0.1 µL of the calibration standard mixture into the gas chromatograph. At the end of the chromatographic run, calibrate the integrator with the internal standard method by following the manufacturer's procedure. If this capability is not available, manual calculations can be done, see the calculations section (8.6.5).

8.6.3.2 Some solvents, such as naphthas and aromatic hydrocarbon blends, will elute as a series of peaks. The total area for that solvent can be summed and treated as one peak with most recording integrators, provided no other volatiles coelute in this interval. If the integrator used does not have this capability, then that total area will have to be summed manually. All peaks must be accounted for.

8.6.4 Sample Analysis:

8.6.4.1 Inject 1.0 µL of the prepared sample into the chromatographic column. The reporting integrator will display the peak retention times and areas of each solvent. The integrator will report the results directly in weight percentages based on the total sample. If a reporting integrator is not available, manual calculations can be done. The equation in the calculations section are used to calculate the total precent organic solvent present in the sample.

8.6.5 Calculations:

8.6.5.1 If the equipment used does not have the capability to perform the calculations, then manual calculations may be performed as follows:

(1) To calculate response factors (RF) for each solvent of interest from data obtained from the standard run:

$$RF = \frac{(W_1 \times A_2)}{(W_2 \times A_1)} \tag{6}$$

where:

 W_1 = concentration of solvent of interest,

 W_2 = concentration of internal standard,

 A_1^2 = peak area of solvent of interest, and A_2 = peak area of internal standard

(2) To calculate the percent of each of the solvents of interest from data obtained from the sample run:

% Solvent =
$$\frac{(A_3 \times RF \times W_3 \times 100)}{(A_4 \times P_i)}$$
(7)

where:

 W_3 = weight of internal standard added to the sample,

 P_i = weight of paint sample,

 A_3 = peak area of solvent of interest, and

 A_4 = peak area of internal standard.

(3) To calculate the percent total organic solvent VOC in the sample from the data obtained for that particular foil:

% VOC =
$$S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + \dots + S_n$$
 (8)

where:

 S_1 = percent of solvent of interest No. 1,

 S_2 = percent of solvent of interest No. 2,

 S_3 = percent of solvent of interest No. 3, and ... S_n = Percent of solvent of interest No. n.

8.7 Procedure for % NV Determination:

8.7.1 Percent NV As Applied - Plant Conditions:

8.7.1.1 Unfold coated foil from 8.4.6 so that all coated surfaces can readily dry.

8.7.1.2 Dry the coated foil in accordance with the final bake process conditions being evaluated. Cool the sample to ambient temperature in a desiccator and record weight (for example, $W_{\rm Ai}, W_{\rm Bi}, W_{\rm Ci}$).

8.7.1.3 Calculate the percent nonvolatile matter, % NV in the coating as follows:

$$\% NV = ((W_{i} - F_{i}) / (G_{i} - F_{i})) \times 100$$
(9)

where:

$$i = 101 i$$

 W_i = weight of foil plus specimen after baking (8.7.2),

 F_i = weight of foil (8.2.3.2), and G_i = weight of wet specimen plus foil (8.4.6).

8.7.1.4 Calculate the percentage volatile matter, % V, in the coating as follows:

$$\% V = 100 - \% NV \tag{10}$$

8.7.2 Solids for Solids Density Calculations:

8.7.2.1 Solids for calculating solids density in Section 10 must follow EPA Reference Method 24, $-110 \pm 5^{\circ}$ C for 1 h.

9. Measurement of Film Thickness

9.1 Determine the dry film thickness on the steel panels from 8.2.6 in accordance with Test Methods D 1186. Record measurements as an average of a minimum of three readings per panel. This verifies the samples are at application film build.

10. Determination of Solids Density

10.1 Calculate solids density of the as applied coating material in accordance with EPA Federal Reference Method 24, that is, Test Method D 2369. This test method describes procedures for the determination of the weight percent volatile content of solvent reducible and water reducible coatings.

10.2 Information needed to perform this calculation include the weight fraction volatile (Test Method D 2369), volume fraction nonvolatile (Test Method D 2697), and Density of the coating materials as applied (Test Method D 1475).

10.3 These values will be determined using procedures specified in EPA Reference Method 24. The 1-h-bake at $110\pm$ 5°C must be used in the determination of the weight fraction nonvolatile.

11. Calculations

11.1 Calculate the weight of coating solids deposited (W_{cos}) as follows:

$$W_{\rm cos} = W_{\rm ci} - F_{\rm i} \tag{11}$$

where:

i = foil i, $W_{\text{Ci}} = \text{Weight of foil with fully baked paint (8.7.2), and}$ $P_{\text{i}} = \text{Weight of foil (8.2.3.2).}$

11.2 Calculate the weight of VOC available for abatement, $W_{\rm VOC}$ from the difference between the weight of VOC in the coating at the point where the air is first exhausted to the VOC control device (Sample B) and the weight of VOC in the coating at the point where the air is last exhausted (Sample C) to the VOC control device as follows:

$$W_{\text{VOC}} = [P_{\text{Bi}} \times \% \text{ VOC}_{\text{Bi}}] - [P_{\text{Ci}} \times \% \text{ VOC}_{\text{Ci}}]$$
(12)

where:

i = foil i, $P_{\text{Bi}}P_{\text{Ci}} = \text{weight of paint at sample points as determined in}$ 8.5.3.1 or 8.6.2.6,

% VOC = % VOC determined by KF (8.5) or GC (8.6).

11.3 Calculate the weight of VOC available for control per volume coating solids applied, CL, as follows:

$$CL = (W_{\rm VOC} / W_{\rm COS}) \times D_{\rm COS}$$
(13)

where:

D_{COS} is calculated in Section 10 in (Kg/L) or (lb/Gal).

12. Precision and Bias

12.1 *Precision*—The data listed in Table 1 is from three laboratories evaluating six distinct samples three times. There is insufficient data to establish repeatability (r) and reproducibility (R) statistics for this test method. Use the following data as a guideline for evaluating the standard deviation expected from using this test method. Data obtained from using this test method can be expected to be within these ranges.

12.1.1 This precision data is provisional and within five years more data will be collected to meet the requirements of Practice E 691.

13. Keywords

13.1 abatement; VOC; waterborne

TABLE 1	Percent VOC for GC Method and Karl Fisher Method			
Before and After Flash				

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GC Method Before Flash						
Materials	Averages	Sr	SR			
A	15.0689	2.1330	2.3958			
В	14,5422	0.3940	4.2175			
C	11.3456	1.0769	2.1363			
D	15.8644	0.3245	3.9899			
E	12.5611	0.1583	2.7143			
F	6.771	0.422	1.832			
GC Method After Flash						
Materials	Averages	Sr	SR			
A	3.843	0.466	3.297			
В	3.393	0.579	3.202			
С	2.318	0.149	1.980			
D	6.167	0.899	5.889			
E	4.348	0.801	2.688			
F						
F	4.202	0.260	1.600			
	Karl Fisher Meth					
Materials	Average	Sr	SR			
A	18.394	1.541	1.967			
В	16.409	2.510	2.927			
С	12.994	1.542	1.582			
D	19.908	1.787	3.930			
E	15.460	1.197	2.746			
F	8.716	0.588	1.529			
	Karl Fisher Metl					
Materials	Average	Sr	SR			
A	11.622	0.732	7.915			
В	3.489	1.429	2.091			
С	4.799	0.533	0.950			
D	9.761	1.893	9.425			
E	5.614	1.074	1.647			
F						
F	6.608	1.031	2.882			
	Weight VOC/Volume	Coating, GC Metho	od			
Materials	Averages	Sr	SR			
А	4.126	0.277	1.438			
В	1.910	0.160	0.236			
С	2.181	0.296	0.900			
D	2.426	0.362	0.657			
E	1.327	0.251				
			0.430			
F	1.367	0.120	0.549			
Weight VOC/Volume Coating, Karl Fisher Method						
Materials	Average	Sr	SR			
A	4.339	0.364	2.118			
В	2.244	0.595	0.595			
C	2.146	0.316	0.849			
D	2.904	0.705	1.664			
E						
	2.183	0.401	0.501			
F	1.842	0.234	1.413			

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