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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

CHAIRS, EASY (RECLINERS)

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description in preference to Purchase Description FMSF 73-59

This commercial item description covers recliner chairs intended for use in living quarters and lounge areas

Salient characteristics

These characteristics concisely describe the essential physical and functional/performance characteristics of the commercially available item.

Types:

- I - Rocker recliner, closed arms.
- II - Wall recliner, closed arms.

Styles

- A - Contemporary.
- B - Traditional.

Mechanisms Rocker recliner, three-way, extendable foot-rest, seat and back recline independently Three positions, rocking, intermediate TV, and fully reclined Wall recliner, three-way, extendable foot-rest, seat and back recline independently away from wall Three positions, sitting, intermediate TV, and fully reclined

Upholstery. Foot-rests, seats, backs, and arms shall be upholstered

Fabric Artificial leather (expanded) shall conform to Federal Specification CCC-A-680, class 2, with treatments (a)(1) regular fire resistance Cloth fabric shall conform to the Woven Upholstery Fabric Standard prepared by the Joint Industry Fabric Standards Committee The fabric shall be flat woven, category I heavy duty (minimum 15,000 cycles abrasion), normal, in-use, household applications.

Identification label The identification label shall have the contractor's name or trademark, contract or order number, and the month and year of manufacture legibly marked in a permanent dark ink The label shall be affixed to the bottom of the chair and shall not be removable by hand without defacement.

Workmanship The upholstering tailoring frame construction and mechanism shall be of the quality to produce finished chairs acceptable in appearance, function, and serviceability and to prevent potential hazard to personnel or their clothing

Performance Each chair shall comply with the following requirements. Failure to meet these requirements shall be cause for rejection

- (1) The chair shall be restrained from movement and 200 pounds of weight shall be distributed in the chair simulating the weight of a man reclining in the chair. The chair shall be operated from a rocking or sitting position to a reclining position for 10,000 cycles, rate 10 - 15 cycles per minute. Any mechanical failure, or failure of the mechanism to maintain the rocking or sitting, intermediate TV, or reclining positions after the test shall be cause for rejection.
- (2) The chair shall be restrained from movement and a 125 pound load shall be dropped 2 inches into the seat for 10,000 cycles, rate 15 - 20 cycles per minute. Any mechanism failure, or spring failure shall be cause for rejection.
- (3) The chair shall be restrained from movement and a vertical load of 400 pounds with a 3 - 4 inch base shall be placed on the center of the chair arm for 15 minutes. Any structural failure shall be cause for rejection.

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- (4) The chair shall be restrained from movement and a 100 pound horizontal outward pull shall be applied to the most forward point of each arm (one arm at a time) for one minute. Any structural failure shall be cause for rejection.
- (5) The chair, in a sitting position, shall be tilted on two legs at a time to the balance point and allowed to free fall upright. This test shall be repeated twice in each of the four possible drops. Any structural failure shall be cause for rejection.

Certification. The contractor shall certify that the product offered meets the salient characteristics of this description, and that the product conforms to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices and is the same product sold in the commercial marketplace. The Government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance prior to first delivery and thereafter as may be otherwise provided for under the provisions of the contract.

Regulatory requirements. The manufacturer shall utilize recovered materials to the maximum extent practicable.

Packaging, packing, and marking. The items shall be packaged in accordance with normal commercial practice and packed to assure acceptance by common carrier and provide product protection against loss and damage during multiple shipments, handling, and storage. The shipping container shall be in compliance with National Motor Freight Classification and Uniform Freight Classification. Shipping containers shall be marked as specified in the contract or order.

Note: Purchasers should specify the type and style of the chair required and the type and color of the fabric required.

Copies of Federal Specifications are available from GSA Business Service Centers or the Specification and Consumer Information Branch (WFSIS), NYA Bldg. 197, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, DC 20407.

Copies of the Woven Upholstery Fabric Standard are available from the National Association of Furniture Manufacturers, 8401 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20015.

Preparing activity:

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