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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION BOOKENDS, STEEL

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description by all federal agencies.

1. Scope. This description covers steel bookends.

2. Salient Characteristics.

2.1 Material. The bookends shall be of good commercial quality sheet steel.

2.2 Design. Each bookend shall be designed with a base and upright support, formed to an angle of approximately 90 degrees with each other. The base shall extend beyond both faces of the upright support a suitable distance, to give stability to the bookend. All corners shall be rounded and all edges shall be finished in such a way as to exclude any sharp or jagged corners or edges. The bookends shall be fabricated of one piece of sheet steel not less than 1.44mm (0.0568 inch), or not less than 0.87 mm (0.0344 inch) thick provided that the bookends are formed with reinforcing ridges or braces.

2.3 Dimensions. Height of the upright support shall be 13.97 +/- 0.6 cm (5 1/2 +/- 1/4 inch). The width of the upright support shall be 12.07 +/- 0.3 cm (4-3/4 +/- 1/8 inch). The length of the inside portion of the base (that portion which extends from the side, facing the books) shall be 10.2 +/- 1.3 cm (4 +/- 1/2 inch). The length of the outside portion of the base (that portion which extends from the side, facing away from the books) shall be 5.1 +/- 1.3 cm (2 +/- 1/2 inch). The width of the outside portion of the base shall be approximately the same width as the upright support. The width of the inside portion of the base shall be not less than 1/2 the width of the upright support, excluding rounded edges.

2.4 Color. Color shall be as specified in the ordering data.

2.5 Finish. All metal surfaces of the bookend shall be primed, painted and baked in accordance with commercial practices. Finished panels shall show no cracking, flaking or loss of adhesion of the enamel. Uncoated areas on the edges of bookends resulting from the use of precoated stock are acceptable.

2.6 Workmanship. The surfaces of all bookends shall be free from burrs, slivers and rough or sharp edges, or any other defect which affects appearance or serviceability. The welding shall be free from pits, burn-throughs, flashes, scales or other foreign matter. The enamel coating shall level out to a continuous smooth dry film thickness without runs, wrinkles, grit or area of no film or separation of color. The coating shall be free from embedded foreign matter and shall show no evidence of peeling, flaking or blistering.

Beneficial comments, recommendations, additions, deletions, clarifications, etc. and any data which may improve this document should be sent to General Services Administration Federal Supply Service, Engineering Branch, 26 Federal Plaza New York, N.Y. 10278.

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3. Regulatory Requirements. The offeror/contractor is encouraged to use recovered materials to the maximum extent practicable in accordance with paragraph 23.403 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

4. Quality Assurance Provisions.

4.1 Responsibility for Inspection. Unless otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the supplier is responsible for the performance of all inspection requirements as specified herein. Except as otherwise specified, the supplier may utilize his own facilities or any commercial laboratory acceptable to the government. The Government reserves the right to perform any of the inspections set forth in the Commercial Item Description, where such inspections are deemed necessary to assure that supplies and services conform to the prescribed requirements.

Suppliers are encouraged to use quality control (QC) techniques that exhibit control over their processes (e.g. SPC techniques). These techniques shall ensure quality levels equal to, or greater than, those cited in the applicable technical document or, herein. For those product characteristics which are controlled by such a method, requirements for end item inspection or test may be considered to have been met. End item inspection/testing may be used by the offeror, or the Government representative, as a means to determine the effectiveness of the in-process quality controls. In-process controls shall not be substituted for end item performance testing, unless it can be demonstrated that there exists a direct correlation between the process control and product performance, such that end item performance testing is obviated.

For those characteristics for which there are no such controls, or for end item performance test, lot by lot sampling for inspection/test shall be required. Sampling for Tappi tests shall be in accordance with Tappi. Sampling for all other tests shall be in accordance with The American National Standards Institute (ANSI)/ American Society for Quality Control (ASQC) Z1.4-1933, Sampling Procedures and Tables for Inspection by Attributes. The inspection level shall be S-3 with an AQL of 4 percent defective.

5. Packaging, Packing, and Marking. Packaging, packing and marking shall be as specified in the contract or order.

6. Applicable Documents and Document Sources. The following documents form a part of the Commercial Item Description to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise indicated, the issue in effect on the date of invitation for bids or request for proposal shall apply:

(1) Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), par. 23.403 can be obtained from Product Information Department, Commerce Clearing House, Inc. 4025 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago, Ill 60646. Phone (312)583-8500. Ask for Par. 23.403, Policy.

(2) Copies of Commercial Item Descriptions, federal standards or specifications are available from: Federal Supply Service Bureau, Specification Section (3FPB-W), Suite 8100, 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20407.

(3) The American National Standards Institute (ANSI)/ American Society for Quality Control (ASQC) Z1.4-1933, Sampling Procedures and Tables for Inspection by Attributes. American Society for Quality Control, P.O. Box 3005, 611 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wi 53201-4606.

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7. Ordering Data. Purchasers should select the preferred options permitted herein, and include the following information in procurement documents:

- 1. Title, number and date of the Commercial Item Description**
- 2. Color**
- 3. Packaging, packing and marking**

8. National Stock Numbers (NSNs). The following is a list of NSNs assigned which correspond to the CID. The list may not be indicative of all possible NSNs associated with the CID.

| NSN | Color |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| 7520-00-139-6158 | Beige |
| 7520-00-264-5479 | Gray |

MILITARY INTEREST:

NONE: DOD has no registered interest in revisions and amendments to this Commercial Item Description until further notice

PREPARING ACTIVITY:

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