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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION PAPER, INDEX

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description as a replacement for UU-P-258 which has been cancelled.

1. **SCOPE:** This commercial item description covers 25 percent cotton or linen index paper and chemical wood index paper, white and colored and reflects item requirements parallel to the specifications of the Joint Committee on Printing (JCP).

2. **CLASSIFICATION:** Index paper shall be of the following grades as specified.
Grade B - 25 percent index, white and colored (JCP-K20)
Grade C - Chemical Wood index, white and colored (JCP-K10)

3. **SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS:**

3.1 **Material:** Grade B index paper shall conform to the requirements of JCP K20. Grade C index paper shall conform to the requirements of JCP K10. In addition to these requirements, the paper shall contain recycled content as specified in the Ordering Data.

3.2 **Basis Weight:** The basis weight of Grade B and Grade C shall be as specified in the ordering data with a \pm 5% tolerance and tested in accordance with Tappi T410.

3.3 **Size and Trim:** Size shall be as specified in the Ordering Data. Index paper shall also be flat, trimmed square on four sides with clean, smooth edges, and evenly jogged. Size and trim tolerances shall conform to the requirements set forth in the Government Paper Specification Standards.

3.4 **Grain Direction:** The grain direction on flat paper shall be as specified in the Ordering Data.

3.5 **Color:** Color shall be as specified in the Ordering Data.

3.6 **Workmanship:** All types of paper in accordance with this specification shall be clean, free from dirt spots, oil spots, shives foreign matter, and shall be uniform in color. The sheets shall be free from holes, tears, cuts, folds, scuff marks, lint, fuzz, or any particles that will fluff or pile on the blanket under normal press conditions. There shall be no splices within a sheet and there shall be no partial sheets. There shall be no defects that may affect appearance or serviceability.

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(2FYEE), 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278
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4. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS:

4.1 **Certification:** The contractor shall certify that the regulatory requirements shall be as specified in the Ordering Data. 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.

4.1.1 **Labeling:** The recycled content shall be marked on the product or unit pack.

4.2. **Bleaching.** To obtain an acceptable brightness, in accordance with the performance standards of this document, a chemical bleaching process may be used. When specified in the ordering data (See Ordering Data), the bleaching process shall not include the use of chlorine, chlorine dioxide, or other chlorine compounds. 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.

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS:

5.1 **Product Conformance:** The products provided shall meet the salient characteristics of this commercial item description, conform to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices and be the same product offered for in the commercial sale market. The government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance.

5.2 **Testing:** Shall be in accordance with Part 2, Testing Standards and Definitions, of the Government Paper Specification Standards published by the Joint Committee on Printing. (Note: See individual TAPPI's for specific sampling instructions).

5.3 **Acceptance Criteria:** Shall be as specified in Part 4, Acceptance Criteria, of the Government Paper Specification Standards published by the Joint Committee on Printing.

6. PACKAGING, PACKING, LABELING, MARKING, AND PALLETIZATION:

Packaging, packing, labeling, marking and, palletization shall be as specified in the contract or order.

7. NOTES:

7.1 **Referenced Documents:** The issue of the referenced documents in effect on the date of the solicitation for offers or request for proposals shall be used to determine conformance with the requirements of this Commercial Item Description.

7.1.1 TAPPI test methods are available from:
Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry,
Technology Park/Atlanta, P.O. Box 105113, Atlanta, GA 30348
(404) 446-1400

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7.1.2 **JCP** specifications are for sale from Chief Paper Procurement Section, MMPP, U.S. Government Printing Office, North Capital and "H" St., NW, Wash DC 20401.

7.2 Ordering Data: Purchasers should select the preferred options permitted herein, and included the following information in procurement documents

- (1) Grade and Size
- (2) Basis Weight
- (3) Grain Direction
- (4) Color
- (5) Packaging, packing, labeling, marking and, palletization requirements.
- (6) Whether non-chlorine bleaching is required.
- (7) Regulatory Requirements

7.3 List Of NSN'S

9310-00-042-3867	9310-00-223-0372	9310-00-752-9080	9310-01-074-9409	9310-00-728-609
9310-00-042-5758	9310-00-223-0373	9310-00-752-9081	9310-01-075-6465	9310-00-728-762
9310-00-160-7830	9310-00-223-0375	9310-00-752-9082	9310-01-075-7764	9310-00-752-908
9310-00-160-7831	9310-00-223-0376	9310-00-752-9090	9310-01-075-7765	9310-00-752-908
9310-00-160-7832	9310-00-223-0377	9310-00-926-4541	9310-00-160-7836	9310-00-752-908
9310-00-160-7833	9310-00-223-0378	9310-00-955-0217	9310-00-160-7840	9310-00-752-908
9310-00-160-7834	9310-00-555-4968	9310-00-955-0218	9310-00-160-7841	9310-01-982-049
9310-00-160-7835	9310-00-752-9075	9310-00-982-0491	9310-00-488-7932	
9310-00-223-0370	9310-00-752-9076	9310-00-982-0492	9310-00-551-3246	
9310-00-223-0371	9310-00-752-9079	9310-01-074-9408	9310-00-551-3247	

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Navy - SA

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