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## COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

### CANDLESTICK, ALTAR

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description in preference to item 1, sizes 1 and 2 of MIL-C-43499.

#### 1. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS

1.1 Classification. This commercial item description covers altar candlesticks in the following sizes:

Size 1 -  $15 \pm 1/32$  inches high, from base to top  
Size 2 -  $28 \pm 1/32$  inches high, from base to top

1.2 Design and construction. The candlesticks shall be fabricated of commercial brass. All exterior metal pieces used in the fabrication of the candlesticks shall be chromium plated brass. The base of each of the candlesticks shall be solid and flat, not footed, and  $6 \pm 1$  inches in diameter. The inside dimensions of candleholders shall be  $7/8 \pm 1/16$  inch. The design of the candlesticks may be specified by the procuring activity to ensure conformance with design of the candelabra, chapel, and other items which are used on the altar.

#### 2. QUALITY ASSURANCE

2.1 Certification. The contractor shall certify that the product offered meets the salient characteristics of this description and conforms to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices, and is the same as the product offered for sale in the commercial marketplace. When specific quality assurance provisions are specified for any commercial characteristic the contractor shall furnish data resulting from inspection conducted in accordance with the specific quality assurance provisions. 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.

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DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT A. Approved for public release; distribution is unlimited.

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## 3. PACKAGING

3.1 Packaging. Candlesticks shall be individually wrapped in two thicknesses of neutral unbleached tissue paper. Two candlesticks of one size shall be packaged in a snug-fitting fiberboard box. The two candlesticks shall be alternated, end to end, to uniformly distribute the load. The candlesticks shall be sufficiently cushioned to prevent movement and protect against abrasion during shipment and storage.

3.2 Packing. Eight candlesticks (four pair), packaged as specified, shall be packed in a snug-fitting fiberboard shipping container conforming to style RSC, type CF (variety SW) or SF, class domestic, grade 275 of PPP-B-636. Each shipping container shall be of a size that can be palletized in accordance with MIL-STD-147. Each shipping container shall be closed in accordance with the appendix of PPP-B-636.

3.3 Palletization. When specified (see 4.2), candlesticks shall be palletized in accordance with load type Ia of MIL-STD-147. Each prepared load shall be bonded with primary and secondary straps in accordance with bonding means K and L, or film bonding means O or P. Pallet pattern shall be in accordance with the appendix of MIL-STD-147. Interlocking of loads shall be effected by reversing the pattern of each course.

3.4 Marking. In addition to any special markings required by the contract or purchase order, unit packs, shipping containers, and unitized pallet loads shall be marked in accordance with MIL-STD-129.

## 4. NOTES

4.1 Intended use. The candlesticks are intended for use in Religious Services in Military Chapels.

4.2 Ordering data.

- a. Title, number, and date of this document.
- b. When palletization is required (see 3.3).

## MILITARY INTERESTS:

Custodians

Army - GL  
Navy - PE  
Air Force - 28

Review activities

DLA - GS  
Armed Forces Chaplains Board

## CIVIL AGENCY COORDINATING ACTIVITY:

GSA - FSS

## PREPARING ACTIVITY:

Army - GL

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