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## COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

## DISPOSABLE AIR FILTERS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SYSTEMS

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description as a replacement for U.S. Navy standard cleanable impingement filters of MIL-PRF-16552, except those filters used prior to flame arrestors, for all federal agencies.

1. SCOPE. This Commercial Item Description (CID) describes disposable filter media that is used for air filtration purposes in shipboard heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems.

2. CLASSIFICATION. Disposable air filters shall be of the following types and sizes as specified (see 7.3).

2.1 Types. Disposable air filters shall be of the following types and efficiencies as specified (see 7.3):

- a. Type I: Filter pads (to be inserted into a reusable filter frame)
- b. Type II: Filter panels (internal frames to be inserted directly into filter housings)
  - (1) Medium efficiency
  - (2) High efficiency
- c. Type III: Filter panel links (filter panels linked together)
  - (1) Medium efficiency
  - (2) High efficiency
- d. Type IV: Filter sleeves (filter material constructed to fit over an internal frame)
  - (1) Medium efficiency
  - (2) High efficiency
- e. Type V: Filter cubes (internal frames to be inserted directly into filter housings)
  - (1) Medium efficiency
  - (2) High efficiency

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2.2 Sizes. Each type of filter shall be of the following sizes as specified (see 7.3):

2.2.1 Type I filter pads. Type I filter pads shall be sized to fit within filter holding frames that are sized in accordance with the standard Navy filter dimensions of MIL-PRF-16552 and with commercial filters on Navy ships. Type I filter pad sizes shall be in accordance with [table I](#).

TABLE I. Type I filter sizes.

<b>Standard Navy or Commercial Filter Size Designation</b>	<b>Type I Filters (Length × Width) (inches) ±1/8</b>
10AF	$7\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$
11AF	$13 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$
12AF	$15 \times 10\frac{1}{2}$
13AF	$10\frac{1}{2} \times 22\frac{1}{2}$
14AF	$16 \times 25$
15AF	$20 \times 20$
16AF	$20 \times 30$
Com20x25	$20 \times 25$

2.2.2 Type II filter panels. Type II filter panels shall be designed to fit into standard Navy filter housings and other common filter housings found on Navy ships. The filter material shall be sealed to fit snugly around the internal frame. The internal frame size of Type II filter panels shall be in accordance with [table II](#).

TABLE II. Type II filter internal frame sizes.

<b>Standard Navy or Commercial Filter Size Designation</b>	<b>Type II Filters Internal Frame Size (inches) ±1/8</b>
10AF	$7\frac{1}{8} \times 7\frac{1}{8}$
11AF	$12\frac{3}{8} \times 7\frac{7}{8}$
12AF	$14\frac{3}{8} \times 9\frac{7}{8}$
13AF	$9\frac{7}{8} \times 21\frac{7}{8}$
14AF	$15\frac{3}{8} \times 24\frac{3}{8}$
15AF	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 19\frac{3}{8}$
16AF	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 29\frac{3}{8}$
Com20x25	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 24\frac{3}{8}$

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2.2.3 Type III filter panel links. Type III filter panel links are the same size as Type II filter panels, but the filter panels shall be linked together by the filter material so that multiple panels can be installed and removed as a single unit. The filters shall be linked along either the length or width dimensions. Type III filter panels shall be designated in accordance with [table III](#).

TABLE III. Type III filter panel link designation.

<b>Standard Navy or Commercial Filter Size Designation</b>	<b>Type III Filters Internal Frame Size (inches) <math>\pm\frac{1}{8}</math></b>	<b>Joined on Side S=Short L=Long X=Square</b>	<b>No. of Links</b>
10AF	$7\frac{1}{8} \times 7\frac{1}{8}$	X	AR*
11AF	$12\frac{3}{8} \times 7\frac{7}{8}$	S	AR
11AF	$12\frac{3}{8} \times 7\frac{7}{8}$	L	AR
12AF	$14\frac{3}{8} \times 9\frac{7}{8}$	S	AR
12AF	$14\frac{3}{8} \times 9\frac{7}{8}$	L	AR
13AF	$9\frac{7}{8} \times 21\frac{7}{8}$	S	AR
13AF	$9\frac{7}{8} \times 21\frac{7}{8}$	L	AR
14AF	$15\frac{3}{8} \times 24\frac{3}{8}$	S	AR
14AF	$15\frac{3}{8} \times 24\frac{3}{8}$	L	AR
15AF	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 19\frac{3}{8}$	X	AR
16AF	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 29\frac{3}{8}$	S	AR
16AF	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 29\frac{3}{8}$	L	AR
Com20x25	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 24\frac{3}{8}$	S	AR
Com20x25	$19\frac{3}{8} \times 24\frac{3}{8}$	L	AR

\* As required

2.2.4 Type IV filter sleeves. Type IV filter sleeves shall be open at one end so that an internal frame, of length and width dimensions as shown in [table II](#), can be inserted into the sleeve. The filter frame and sleeve shall fit into the standard Navy filter housings and other common filter housings found on Navy ships. Type IV filter sleeves shall be sized in accordance with [table IV](#).

TABLE IV. Type IV filter sleeves.

<b>Standard Navy or Commercial Filter Size Designation</b>	<b>Type IV Filters (Sleeves) Min. Opening if on Short Side (inches)</b>	<b>Type IV Filters (Sleeves) Min. Opening if on Long Side (inches)</b>
10AF	$7\frac{1}{4}$	$7\frac{1}{4}$
11AF	8	$12\frac{1}{2}$
12AF	10	$14\frac{1}{2}$
13AF	10	22
14AF	$15\frac{1}{2}$	$24\frac{1}{2}$
15AF	$19\frac{1}{2}$	$19\frac{1}{2}$
16AF	$19\frac{1}{2}$	$29\frac{1}{2}$
Com20x25	$19\frac{1}{2}$	$24\frac{1}{2}$

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2.2.5 Type V filter cubes. Type V filter cubes shall be extended surface filters of a basic bag shape and have an internal frame with exterior dimensions as shown in [table V](#). The filters shall be 15 inches deep and tapered in the direction of airflow.

TABLE V. Type V filter cubes.

Standard Navy or Commercial Filter Size Designation	Type V Filters (Cubes) Internal Frame Size (inches) $\pm \frac{1}{16}$	Depth (inches)
10AF	N/A	N/A
11AF	$12\frac{1}{2} \times 8$	15
12AF	$14\frac{1}{2} \times 10$	15
13AF	$10 \times 22$	15
14AF	$15\frac{5}{8} \times 24\frac{5}{8}$	15
15AF	$19\frac{5}{8} \times 19\frac{5}{8}$	15
16AF	$19\frac{5}{8} \times 29\frac{5}{8}$	15
Com20x25	$19\frac{5}{8} \times 24\frac{5}{8}$	15

### 3. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS.

3.1 Description. The filters shall be used to remove dirt particles from the air in ventilation supply and air conditioning recirculation systems to protect HVAC equipment and to provide a clean environment. Air velocity will be up to a maximum of 900 feet per minute. The filter shall perform in accordance with requirements herein under ambient temperatures between -10 and +120 °F.

#### 3.2 Construction requirements.

##### 3.2.1 General requirements.

3.2.1.1 Filter material. The filter material shall be constructed of synthetic non-woven fibers. When a multiple ply or progressive density material is used, the fibers on the air inlet side shall be of heavier weight (more open) than the fibers on the air outlet (downstream) side.

3.2.1.2 Tackifiers. A non-migratory tackifier may be used throughout the material or on the air outlet side. Tackifiers shall not run at a temperature of less than 150 °F.

3.2.1.3 Marking. If the filter is unidirectional, the downstream side of the filter material shall be colored, tackified, or printed with the words "DOWNSTREAM," "AIR LEAVING SIDE," or other direction indicating designation. The inlet side shall not be labeled.

##### 3.2.2 Filter pads (type I).

3.2.2.1 Material thickness. The filter material shall be a minimum of 0.75 inch and a maximum of 2 inches thick.

##### 3.2.3 Internal frames for filter panels (type II), filter panel links (type III), and filter cubes (type V).

3.2.3.1 Construction. The internal frame shall be constructed of galvanized or stainless steel or other material satisfying the requirements of Underwriters Laboratories (UL) 900.

3.2.3.2 Gauge. Where a metal internal frame is used, the frame shall be a minimum of 10 gauge.

3.2.3.3 Strength. The internal frame material shall be of sufficient strength to support the filter material in the design airflow.

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3.2.4 Filter panel (type II).

3.2.4.1 Sealing. The filter material shall be sealed around the internal frame.

3.2.4.2 Material thickness. The filter material shall be a minimum of 1 inch and a maximum of 2 inches thick.

3.2.4.3 Selvage edge. The filter material shall have a minimum selvage edge of 0.25 inch from the frame seal to ensure a positive seal around the periphery of the filter.

3.2.5 Filter links (type III).

3.2.5.1 Construction. The panels of the links shall be constructed in accordance with 3.2.4.

3.2.5.2 Material width. The width of the filter material between the linked internal frames shall be a minimum of 1 inch.

3.2.6 Filter sleeves (type IV).

3.2.6.1 Construction. The sleeve shall be constructed to fit snugly around the internal frame. The sleeve shall be open on one side with sufficient overlap provided to fold filter material around the frame on the open side.

3.2.6.2 Material thickness. The filter material shall be a minimum of 1 inch and a maximum of 2 inches thick.

3.2.6.3 Selvage edge. The sleeve shall have a minimum selvage edge of 0.25 inch from all sealed sides to ensure a positive seal around the periphery of the filter.

3.2.7 Filter cubes (type V).

3.2.7.1 Sealing. The filter material shall be sealed around the internal frame.

3.2.7.2 Material thickness. The filter material shall be a minimum of 1 inch and a maximum of 2 inches thick.

3.2.7.3 Construction. The filters shall be bag-shaped, 15 inches deep, and tapered 2 inches per linear foot in the direction of airflow.

3.3 Performance. The filter media shall be able to perform to the following minimum characteristics:

3.3.1 Fire properties. When clean, filter pads, panels, links, sleeves, and cubes shall not contribute fuel (no flame or spark) when attacked by flame and emit only negligible amounts of smoke. This shall be demonstrated by the following requirements:

- a. The filters shall not produce flame or sparks when tested in accordance with the Flame Exposure Test of UL 900.
- b. During the Flame Exposure Test of UL 900, the filters shall not cause the development of an area of more than 2½ square inches (16.1 cm ) as measured below the smoke-density time curve.
- c. Adhesive material used for coating the filtering medium or other part of the filter unit shall meet the performance requirements of UL 900.
- d. Filters that met the previous UL 900 requirements for Class 1 filters are considered to meet the fire requirements of this CID.

3.3.2 Filter pads.

3.3.2.1 Efficiency. The filters shall meet one of the following requirements:

- a. The filters shall have a minimum Minimum Efficiency Rating Value (MERV) of 6 at a minimum air velocity of 374 feet per minute in accordance with American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) 52.2.
- b. The filters shall have a minimum arrestance of 80 percent at 295 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

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3.3.2.2 Pressure. Pressure drop of a clean filter shall not exceed 0.15 inch of water at a velocity of 295 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.2.3 Dust holding. The minimum dust holding capacity shall be 150 grams (24-inch by 24-inch filter) or 37.5 grams per square foot at a pressure drop of 1 inch of water at a minimum velocity of 295 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.2.4 Filter thickness. The filter shall be a minimum of 0.75 inch and a maximum of 2 inches thick.

3.3.3 Filter panels, links, and sleeves – medium efficiency.

3.3.3.1 Efficiency. The filters shall meet one of the following requirements:

a. The filters shall have a minimum MERV of 6 at a minimum air velocity of 374 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

b. The filters shall have a minimum arrestance of 89 percent at 295 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.3.2 Pressure. Pressure drop of a clean filter shall not exceed 0.43 inch of water at a velocity of 492 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.3.3 Dust holding. The minimum dust holding capacity shall be 165 grams (24-inch by 24-inch filter) or 41.25 grams per square foot at a pressure drop of 1 inch of water at a minimum velocity of 295 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.4 Filter panels, links, and sleeves – high efficiency.

3.3.4.1 Efficiency. The filters shall have a minimum MERV of 10 at a minimum air velocity of 374 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.4.2 Pressure. Pressure drop of a clean filter shall not exceed 0.48 inch of water at a velocity of 492 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.4.3 Dust holding. The minimum dust holding capacity shall be 165 grams (24-inch by 24-inch filter) or 43.75 grams per square foot at a pressure drop of 1 inch of water at a minimum velocity of 295 feet per minute in accordance with ASHRAE 52.2.

3.3.5 Filter cubes – medium efficiency performance. The filter material when tested in flat panels shall meet the requirements of 3.3.3.

3.3.6 Filter cubes – high efficiency performance. The filter material when tested in flat panels shall meet the requirements of 3.3.4.

4. 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 (FAR).

5. PRODUCT CONFORMANCE PROVISIONS. 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 sale in the commercial marketplace. The government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance.

6. PACKAGING. Preservation, packing, and marking shall be as specified in the contract or order.

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## 7. NOTES.

7.1 Part or identification number (PIN). The following part or identification numbering procedure is for government purposes and does not constitute a requirement for the contractor.

This example describes the part numbering system for CID A-A-59319.

**AA59319** :        **X**                    **X**                    **X**                    **X**                    **X**  
 CID number -    Type (see code below)    Size (see code below)    Efficiency (see code below)    Link data (see code below)    Link number (see code below)

PIN Code:

Type:	Code	Type
	1	I - Filter pad
	2	II - Filter panel
	3	III - Filter panel link
	4	IV - Filter sleeve
	5	V - Filter cube

Efficiency: (for Types II – V only)	Code	Efficiency
	0	Type I filters only - see 3.3.2
	1	Medium - see 3.3.3 and 3.3.5
	2	High - see 3.3.4 and 3.3.6

Size: (see <a href="#">table I - V</a> )	Code	Size
	A	10AF - 7¼ × 7¼
	B	11AF - 8 × 12½
	C	12AF - 10 × 14½
	D	13AF - 10 × 22
	E	14AF - 15½ × 24½
	F	15AF - 19½ × 19½
	G	16AF - 19½ × 29½
	H	Commercial - 20 × 25

Link:	Code	Link data
	N	N/A
	S	Short
	L	Long
	X	Square

Link #:	Code	# of links
	2	2
	3	3
	4	4
	5	5
	N	N/A
	Use # of links required	

Examples:

AA59319-3C2S3    12AF filter panel link, high efficiency, 3 links linked on short side.

AA59319-1F0NN    15AF filter pad.

7.2 Source of documents.

7.2.1 ASHRAE. ASHRAE standards are available from American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Inc., 1791 Tullie Circle, N.E., Atlanta, GA 30329 or <http://www.ashrae.org/>.

7.2.2 Defense specifications. Defense specifications are available online at <http://quicksearch.dla.mil/> or <https://assist.dla.mil>.

7.2.3 FAR. The Federal Acquisition Regulation may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 or online at <http://www.arnet.gov/far>.

7.2.4 UL. UL Standards are available from COMM 2000, 151 Eastern Avenue, Bensenville, IL 60106 or online at [www.comm-2000.com](http://www.comm-2000.com).

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7.3 Ordering data. The contract or order should specify the following:

- a. CID document number, revision, and CID PIN.
- b. Quantity, type, efficiency, and size required (see 2).
- c. Packaging requirements (see 6).

7.4 Cross-reference data. Filters conforming to this CID are interchangeable/substitutable with filters conforming to A-A-59319.

7.5 Key words.

Air conditioning  
Heating  
HVAC  
Ventilating system

MILITARY INTERESTS

Custodians:

Army – CR4  
Navy – SH

Preparing activity:

Navy – SH  
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Review activities:

Navy – YD  
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