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MILITARY SPECIFICATION

AMYL NITRITE (INHALANTS)

This amendment forms a part of MIL-A-3248B dated 4 March 1970, and is approved for use by all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

Page 3:

3.1.1 Preservatives. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"3.1.1 Preservatives. Each ampul shall contain the following preservative, within the limits specified, when tested as required in 4.5.2:

"Not less than 0.0063 gram and not more than 0.0100 gram of epoxidized linseed oil, at time of manufacture."

Pages 4, 5 and 6:

Delete in their entirety the following paragraphs, 3.2.8.1, 3.2.8.2, 3.2.8.2.1, 3.2.8.2.2, 3.2.8.3, 3.2.8.4.2, and 3.2.9, and substitute the following:

"3.2.8.1 Immediate container. Each immediate container label shall bear the following information:

(a) label information in accordance with commercial practice.

"3.2.8.2 Unit packages. Each unit package label shall bear the following:

(a) labeling information in accordance with commercial practice.

(b) the National Stock Number.

(c) the expiration date.

"NOTE: The National Stock Number shall not precede by any prefix.

"Strip labeling may be used.

"Label adhesion test shall not apply."

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3.3 Date of manufacture. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"3.3 Expiration date. The expiration date shall be 2 years from the date of filling in the final containers, or 2 years from the date of manufacturer's or contractor's final quality approval of the final containers, which shall be not later than one month after the date of filling."

3.4 Delivery. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"3.4 Delivery. Not less than 21 months of the expiration dating period (potency period) shall remain at time of delivery to the Government."

4.1 Supplier responsibilities for inspection. Delete in its entirety and substitute:

"4.1 Supplier 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 in the contract or order, the supplier may use his own or any other facilities suitable for the performance of the inspection requirements specified herein, unless disapproved by the Government. The Government reserves the right to perform any of the inspections set forth in the specification where such inspections are deemed necessary to assure supplies and services conform to prescribed requirements.

"Records of examinations and tests performed by or for the contractor shall be maintained by the contractor and made available to the Government, upon the Government's request, at any time, or from time to time, during the performance of the contract and for a period of 3 years after delivery of the supplies to which such records relate.

"No company supplying any ingredient(s) to the contractor will be considered an acceptable facility for the performance of any inspection requirements specified herein."

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Under the column headed "Characteristic" delete the test for "Adhesion of label".

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"The amyl nitrite obtained from the ampul shall comply with the tests, standards, and requirements for 'Amyl Nitrite Inhalants' as shown in the N.F."

Page 10:4.5.4.2 Adhesion. Delete in its entirety.

5.1.1 Unit of issue. Line 1, delete "Twelve (12)" and substitute: "One package containing twelve (12)".

Page 11:5.1.3.1 Unit package. Delete and substitute:

"5.1.3.1 Unit package. Twelve ampuls shall be packaged in a snug-fitting box constructed in accordance with PPP-B-566 or PPP-B-676 except that commercial colors are acceptable. Closure of the box shall be secured to prevent spilling of contents."

5.1.3.3 Protective package. Delete and substitute:

"5.1.3.3 Protective package. Protective package shall be a snug-fitting box constructed in accordance with PPP-B-636, type CF, class domestic. Closure of the box shall be effected by gluing, taping or stitching."

5.2.1.1 Exterior container. Line 4, delete "grade V3c." and substitute: "except that grade W5c is not acceptable. Fiberboard boxes shall conform to the special requirements as specified in PPP-B-636."

Insert the following paragraphs:

"NOTE: Strapping shall not be required for shipments forwarded to a receiving activity within the continental limits of the United States for storage and redistribution.

"5.2.1.2 Case liner. Each level A wood box shall be lined with a waterproof case liner conforming to MIL-L-10547. Closure and sealing shall conform to applicable paragraph of appendix thereto. Case liner shall not be required for fiberboard boxes. Each fiberboard box shall be waterproofed in accordance with 30.4 of PPP-B-636."

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5.2.2.1 Exterior container. Delete the second sentence and substitute:  
"Fiberboard boxes shall conform to the special requirements as specified in PPP-B-636. Closure of the exterior containers shall be as specified in the appendix of the applicable box specification except that the closure of fiberboard boxes shall conform to method I or II as specified in PPP-B-636."

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5.3 Marking. Delete and substitute:

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"5.3.1 Intermediate package and Protective packages. Each intermediate package and protective package shall be marked as specified in MIL-STD-129. Lot or control number, contract or purchase order number and name of contractor shall be shown. Type II shelf life marking as specified in MIL-STD-129 shall also be shown. Marking shall include the legend: 'STORE AT CONTROLLED ROOM TEMPERATURE (59° - 86°F.)'."

"5.3.2 Exterior container. Exterior container shall be marked in accordance with MIL-STD-129. Lot or control number and Type II shelf life marking as specified in MIL-STD-129 shall be shown. Marking shall include the legend: 'STORE AT CONTROLLED ROOM TEMPERATURE (59° - 86°F.)'."

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