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MILITARY SPECIFICATION

BOX, PLASTIC, COMPARTMENTED, SMALL PARTS

This amendment forms a part of Military Specification MIL-B-3889B, dated 21 March 1968, and is approved for use by all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

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2.1, under "Federal Specifications".

Delete title of PPP-B-636 and substitute "Boxes, Shipping, Fiberboard."  
Delete reference to PPP-F-320 in entirety.

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2.2, under "Book of ASTM Standards". Delete "D256-56" and substitute "256".

Add at end of paragraph:

"NATIONAL MOTOR FREIGHT TRAFFIC ASSOCIATION, INC., AGENT

National Motor Freight Classification

(Application for copies should be addressed to the American Trucking Associations, Inc., Traffic Department, 1616 P Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.)

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE, AGENT

Uniform Freight Classification

(Application for copies should be addressed to the Uniform Classification Committee, Room 1106, 222 South Riverside Plaza, Chicago, IL 60606.)

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(Technical society and technical association specifications and standards are generally available for reference from libraries. They are also distributed among technical groups and using Federal agencies.)

3.1 Delete and substitute:

"First article. When specified (see 6.2) the supplier shall furnish a sample for first article inspection and approval (see 4.2 and 6.4)."

3.2.1, line 6. Delete "2" and substitute "0.4".

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4.2 Delete and substitute:

"4.2 First article inspection. When a first article is required, the box shall be examined for the visual defects listed in 4.3.2.1, dimensional defects, and tested as specified in 4.4.1, 4.4.2, and 4.4.3. The presence of any defect or failure of any test shall be cause for rejection of the first article."

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4.3.1.1, line 2. Delete "D256-56" and substitute "D256".

4.3.2.3, first sentence. Delete and substitute: "An examination shall be made to determine that the packaging, packing, and marking complies with the requirements of section 5."

Under Defects, line 5. Delete "or taping" and substitute "improper taping or inadequate stapling".

4.3.2.3, line 6. Delete "sealed" and substitute "closed".

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5.1.1, lines 2 and 3, after "style III". Delete "type A, class a" and substitute "type F, class f".

Line 3, after "variety 1,". Delete "class a" and substitute "class A".

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## 5.1.2 Delete and substitute:

"5.1.2 Commercial. Plastic boxes shall be packaged to afford adequate protection against physical damage during shipment from the supplier to the first receiving activity. The package and the quantity per package shall be the same as that normally used by the supplier for retail distribution."

5.2.1, last sentence. Delete and substitute: "Each fiberboard container shall be closed in accordance with method III, waterproofed in accordance with method V and reinforced as specified in the appendix of PPP-B-636, except that the inspection shall be in accordance with 4.3.2.3."

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## 5.2.2.1 Delete and substitute:

"5.2.2.1 Weather-resistant fiberboard containers. When specified (see 6.2) the fiberboard shipping container shall be a grade V3c, V3s or V4s fiberboard box fabricated in accordance with PPP-B-636 and closed in accordance with method III as specified in the appendix of PPP-B-636, except that the inspection shall be in accordance with 4.3.2.3.

## 5.2.3 Delete and substitute:

"5.2.3 Commercial packing. Plastic boxes packaged as specified in 5.1, shall be packed in a manner to insure carrier acceptance and safe delivery at destination at the lowest transportation rate for such supplies. The quantity per shipping container shall be the same as that normally used by the supplier for retail distribution. Containers shall comply with Uniform Freight Classification or National Motor Freight Classification, as applicable."

## 6.2b Delete and substitute:

"6.2b When a first article is required (see 3.1, 4.2 and 6.4).

## 6.4 Add new paragraph:

"6.4 First article. When a first article is required, it shall be inspected and approved under appropriate provisions of ASPR-7-104.55. The contracting officer should specify the appropriate type of first article and the number of units to be furnished. The contracting officer should include specific instructions in all procurement instruments regarding arrangements for inspection and approval of the first article."

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