PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION

COIL, RADIO FREQUENCY, FIXED, MOLDED,
ESTABLISHED RELIABILITY AND NONESTABLISHED RELIABILITY,
GENERAL SPECIFICATION FOR

This specification is approved for use by all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

1. SCOPE

1.1 Scope. This specification covers the general requirements for established reliability (ER) and nonestablished reliability (non-ER) fixed, radio frequency, molded coils. Established reliability radio frequency coils covered by this specification have failure rate levels (FRL) ranging from 1.0 percent per 1,000 hours to 0.001 percent per 1,000 hours which are established at a 60 percent confidence level (see 1.2.1.4). The FRL identified by the applicable symbol specified in table III refers to operation at full load cyclic condition at the specified ambient temperature (see 3.1).

1.2 Classification.

1.2.1 Part or Identifying Number (PIN). The PIN consists of the letter M, the basic number of the specification sheet, and alphanumeric designators (see 3.1) as shown in the following example:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>M39010/01</th>
<th>A</th>
<th>1R0</th>
<th>J</th>
<th>M</th>
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<tr>
<td>Specification sheet number</td>
<td>Class (see 1.2.1.1)</td>
<td>Inductance (see 1.2.1.2)</td>
<td>Inductance tolerance (see 1.2.1.3)</td>
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1.2.1.1 **Class.** The classes of coils denoting the maximum operating temperatures (see 3.1) are identified by a single letter in accordance with table I.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Temperature °C</th>
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<td>A</td>
<td>105</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>125</td>
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<td>F</td>
<td>150</td>
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1.2.1.2 **Inductance.** The nominal inductance value expressed in microhenries (µH) is identified by three symbols in accordance with the following:

Nominal inductance values less than 10 µH are identified with two numbers representing the significant figures and the letter (R) designating decimal point location.

Example: 0.12 µH = R12; 1.2 µH = 1R2

Nominal inductance values of 10 µH and greater are identified by a 3-digit number. The first two digits represent significant figures, and the last digit specifies the number of zeroes to follow.

Example: 12 µH = 120; 120 µH = 121

1.2.1.3 **Inductance tolerance.** The inductance tolerance is identified by a single letter in accordance with table II.

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<tr>
<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Tolerance percent</th>
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<td>J</td>
<td>± 5</td>
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<tr>
<td>K</td>
<td>± 10</td>
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<tr>
<td>L</td>
<td>± 20</td>
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1.2.1.4 **Product level designation.** The specified FRL per 1,000 hours, for the indicated product level designation, is initially established at the 60 percent consumer’s confidence level and maintained at a 10 percent producer’s risk and is identified by a single letter in accordance with table III and as described in MIL-STD-690.
TABLE III. Product level designator.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Symbol</th>
<th>FRL</th>
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<td>C</td>
<td>Non-ER</td>
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<tr>
<td>M</td>
<td>1.0</td>
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<td>P</td>
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<td>R</td>
<td>0.01</td>
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<td>S</td>
<td>0.001</td>
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1/ FR in percent/1,000 hours.

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2.1 General. The documents listed in this section are specified in sections 3 and 4 of this specification. This section does not include documents cited in other sections of this specification or recommended for additional information or as examples. While every effort has been made to ensure the completeness of this list, document users are cautioned that they must meet all specified requirements documents cited in sections 3 and 4 of this specification, whether or not they are listed.

2.2 Government documents.

2.2.1 Specifications, standards, and handbooks. The following specifications, standards, and handbooks form a part of this document to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise specified, the issues of these documents are those cited in the solicitation or contract.

SPECIFICATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MIL-PRF-39010E - Test Methods for Electronic and Electrical Component Parts.

MIL-I-46058 - Insulating Compound, Electrical (For Coating Printed Circuit Assemblies).

(See supplement 1 for list of specification sheets.)

STANDARDS

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MIL-STD-202-105 - Method 105, Barometric Pressure (Reduced)
MIL-STD-202-111 - Method 111, Flammability (External Flame)
MIL-STD-202-204 - Method 204, Vibration, High Frequency
MIL-STD-202-208 - Method 208, Solderability
MIL-STD-202-211 - Method 211, Terminal Strength
MIL-STD-202-301 - Method 301, Dielectric Withstanding Voltage
MIL-STD-202-303 - Method 303, DC Resistance
2.3 Non-Government publications. The following documents form a part of this document to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise specified, the issues of the documents which are those listed in the solicitation or contract.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STANDARDS (ISO)


(Copies of this document are available from http://www.iso.org or from the American National Standards Institute, 1819 L Street NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20036).

SAE INTERNATIONAL

SAE-EIA-554-1 - Assessment of Average Outgoing Quality Levels in Parts Per Million (PPM).

(Copies of these documents are available online at http://www.sae.org)

(Non-Government standards and other publications are normally available from the organizations that prepare or distribute the documents. These documents also may be available in or through libraries or other informational services.)

2.4 Order of precedence. Unless otherwise noted herein or in the contract, in the event of a conflict between the text of this document and the references cited herein (except for related specification sheets), the text of this document takes precedence. Nothing in this document, however, supersedes applicable laws and regulations unless a specific exemption has been obtained.

3. REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Specification sheets. The individual items requirements shall be as specified herein and in accordance with the applicable specification sheet. In the event of any conflict between the requirements of this specification and the specification sheet, the latter shall govern (see 6.2).

3.2 Qualification. Coils furnished under this specification shall be products which are authorized by the qualifying activity for listing on the applicable qualified products list (QPL) at the time of award of contract (see 4.4 and 6.3). In addition, the manufacturer shall obtain certification from the qualifying activity that the product assurance requirements of 3.3 and 4.2 have been met and are being maintained. Authorized distributors which are approved to MIL-STD-790 distributor requirements by the QPL manufacturers are listed in the QPL.
3.3 **QPL system.** The manufacturer shall establish and maintain a QPL system for parts covered by this specification. Requirements for this system are specified in MIL-STD-790 (all product levels) and MIL-STD-690 (ER parts only). In addition, the manufacturer shall also establish a Statistical Process Control (SPC) and Part Per Million (PPM) system that meets the requirements as described in 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 respectively.

3.3.1 **SPC system.** As part of the overall MIL-STD-790 QPL system, the manufacturer shall establish a SPC system that meets the requirements of SAE-EIA-557. Typical manufacturing processes for application of SPC include, but are not limited to, the following: Coil windings, molding dimensions (final), final electricals, final inspection, and production monitoring.

3.3.2 **PPM system.** As part of the overall MIL-STD-790 QPL system, the manufacturer shall establish a PPM system for assessing the average outgoing quality of lots in accordance with SAE-EIA-554-1 and 4.6.3.3. Data exclusion, in accordance with SAE-EIA-554-1, may be used with approval of the qualifying activity. The PPM system shall identify the PPM rate at the end of each month and shall be based on a six-month moving average.

3.4 **Recycled, recovered, or environmentally preferable, or biobased materials.** Recycled, recovered, or environmentally preferable materials should be used to the maximum extent possible provided that the material meets or exceeds the operational and maintenance requirements, and promotes economically advantageous life cycle costs.

3.4.1 **Flammable materials.** So far as practicable, materials used in the construction of coils shall be nonflammable and nonexplosive.

3.4.2 **Corrosive materials.** Corrosive materials used in any of the manufacturing processes shall be removed or neutralized so that no corrosion will result from their use. So far as practicable, materials used in the construction of coils shall be noncorrosive.

3.4.3 **Solder and soldering flux.** Solder shall have a liquidus melting point greater than +270°C and a plastic stage not to exceed +10°C. The plastic stage is the duration between solid and liquid. Solder and soldering flux shall be of such quality as to enable the coils to meet all the requirements of this specification.

3.5 **Interface and physical dimensions.** Coils shall meet the interface and physical dimensions specified (see 3.1).

3.5.1 **Terminals.** Terminals shall be of the shape and physical dimensions specified (see 3.1 and 6.1).

3.5.1.1 **Solderable/weldable lead terminals.** Unless otherwise specified, the manufacturer shall verify by certification that all leads conform to type LW(---)C-52 in accordance with MIL-STD-1276 or equivalent. The maximum thickness of 200 microinches is not applicable. Tin plating is prohibited on leads as a final finish (see 6.6). Use of tin-lead (Sn-Pb) finishes are acceptable provided the minimum lead content is 3 percent.

3.5.1.2 **Winding ends.** The ends and end turns shall be secured in such a manner as to anchor them securely in place. The length of leads from windings shall be as short as practicable. The termination of element to terminal shall not depend on solder or welding alone to attain mechanical strength.

3.5.2 **Solder dip (retinning).** The manufacturer (or his authorized category B or category C distributor) may solder dip/retin the leads of coils supplied to this specification, provided the solder dip process has been approved by the qualifying activity.

3.5.2.1 **Qualifying activity approval.** Approval of the solder dip process will be based on one of the following options:
When the original lead finish qualified was hot solder dip lead finish 52 in accordance with MIL-STD-1276 (NOTE: The 200 microinch maximum thickness is not applicable). The manufacturer shall use the same solder dip process for retinning as was used in the original manufacture of the coil.

When the lead originally qualified was not solder dip lead finish 52 of MIL-STD-1276 as prescribed in 3.5.2.1a, approval for the process to be used for solder dip shall be based on the following procedure:

(1) Thirty samples of any inductance value for each style and lead finish shall be subjected to the manufacturer's solder dip process. The coils shall then be subjected to all group A electicals. No defects are allowed.

(2) Ten of the 30 samples shall then be subjected to the solderability test, with no defects allowed.

(3) The remaining 20 samples shall be subjected to the resistance to soldering heat test, followed by the moisture resistance test, with no defects allowed.

3.5.2.2 Solder dip/retinning options. The manufacturer may solder dip/retin as follows:

a. After group A tests. Following the solder dip/retinning process, the electrical measurements required in group A, subgroup 1 tests shall be repeated on the lot. The group A, subgroup 1, lot rejection criteria shall be used. Following these tests, the manufacturer shall submit the lot to the group A solderability test as specified in 4.8.12.

b. As a corrective action if the lot fails the group A solderability test.

3.5.3 Weight. Coils shall not exceed the weight specified (see 3.1).

3.6 Thermal shock. When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.2 there shall be no evidence of cracked cases, no loosening of the terminals, or other mechanical damage.

3.7 Electrical characteristics. The electrical characteristics shall be as specified (see 3.1 and 4.8.3).

3.7.1 Inductance. When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.3.1, the inductance shall be as specified (see 3.1 and 6.1).

3.7.2 Q of coils. When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.3.2, the Q shall be as specified (see 3.1).

3.7.3 Self-resonant frequency. When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.3.3, the self-resonant frequency shall be not less than the minimum value specified (see 3.1).

3.7.4 Percent coupling (when specified). When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.3.4 or 4.8.3.4.1, the percent coupling shall be as specified (see 3.1).

3.7.5 Incremental current inductance change (when specified). When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.3.5, inductance value shall represent a change of 5 percent or less of the inductance measured with zero direct current (dc) current (see 3.1).

3.7.6 DC resistance. When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.3.6, the dc resistance shall be as specified (see 3.1).

3.8 Dielectric withstanding voltage. When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.4, there shall be no arcing, flashover, breakdown, nor other damage, and the leakage current shall not exceed 100 microamperes (µA).
3.9 **Barometric pressure (when applicable).** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.5, there shall be no arcing, breakdown, flashover, nor other damage, and the leakage current shall not exceed 100 (µA).

3.10 **Insulation resistance.** When measured as specified in 4.8.6, the insulation resistance shall be not less than 1,000 megohms.

3.11 **Winding continuity (when applicable).** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.7, all windings shall be electrically continuous.

3.12 **Temperature rise.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.8 or 4.8.8.1, the temperature rise of any winding above the specified maximum ambient temperature (see 3.1), shall not exceed the value specified (see 3.1), and there shall be no evidence of physical damage.

3.13 **Overload.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.9, there shall be no evidence of cracked cases, no loosening of the terminals, or other mechanical damage.

3.14 **Resistance to soldering heat.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.10, there shall be no evidence of mechanical damage, loosening of terminals, or solder reflow as evidenced by solder flowing from the body.

3.15 **Terminal strength.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.11, there shall be no winding discontinuity, no loosening or rupturing of the terminals, nor other mechanical damage.

3.16 **Solderability.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.12, the one-inch portion of the dipped surface of the leads closest to the body shall be at least 95 percent covered with a new, smooth, solder coating. The remaining 5 percent may contain only small pinholes or rough spots; these shall not be concentrated in one area. Bare base metal where the solder dip failed to cover the original coating is an indication of poor solderability, and shall be cause for failure. In case of dispute, the percent of coverage with pinholes or rough spots shall be determined by actual measurement of these areas, as compared to the total area. Electrical connections shall be mechanically secure before soldering and electrically continuous after soldering.

3.17 **Resistance to solvents (nonlaser marked units only).** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.13, there shall be no evidence of mechanical damage and the marking shall remain legible.

3.18 **Flammability.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.14, there shall be no evidence of violent burning which results in an explosive-type fire, and the coating material used on the coils shall be self-extinguishing (see 6.4). A coil shall not be considered to have failed in the event that it is consumed by the applied flame. A coil shall be considered to have failed only if an explosion or dripping of flaming material occurs, an explosive-type flame is produced, or if visible burning continues beyond the allowable duration of 3 minutes after removal of the applied flame.

3.19 **Low temperature storage.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.15, there shall be no impairment of protective coating, no loosening of the windings or terminals, nor any other evidence of mechanical damage.

3.20 **Vibration.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.16 there shall be no winding discontinuity (see 3.11), nor evidence of physical or mechanical damage.

3.21 **Shock (specified pulse).** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.17, there shall be no winding discontinuity (see 3.11), nor evidence of physical or mechanical damage.

3.22 **Moisture resistance.** When coils are tested as specified in 4.8.18, the dielectric withstanding voltage shall meet the requirements specified in 3.8, the insulation resistance shall be as specified in
3.10, the electrical characteristics shall be as specified in 3.7, and there shall be no evidence of corrosion affecting the mechanical or electrical operation.

3.23 Life.

3.23.1 Qualification inspection. When coils are tested in accordance with 4.8.19, there shall be no evidence of mechanical damage. Initial measurements shall be in accordance with the electrical characteristics (initial) requirements of the individual component specification sheet. Succeeding measurements up to and including, the 2,000 hours shall be in accordance with the electrical characteristics (final) requirements of the individual components specification sheet (see 3.1).

3.23.2 FRL determination (extended FR test). When coils are tested in accordance with 4.8.19, there shall be no evidence of mechanical damage. Initial measurements shall be in accordance with the electrical characteristics (initial) requirements of the individual component specification sheet. Succeeding measurements up to and including the 10,000 hours shall be in accordance with the electrical characteristics (final) requirements of the individual components specification sheet (see 3.1).

3.24 Fungus. All external materials shall be nonnutrient to fungus growth or shall be suitably treated to retard fungus growth. The manufacturer shall certify that all external materials are fungus resistant or shall perform the test specified in 4.8.20. There shall be no evidence of fungus growth on the external surfaces.

3.25 Marking. Coils shall be marked as specified herein. Paper labels shall not be used. Other markings which in any way interfere with, obscure, or confuse those specified herein, are prohibited. Each coil shall be legibly marked that will withstand the environmental conditions specified herein. At the option of the manufacturer, coils may be laser marked. The marking shall remain legible after all tests.

3.25.1 Marking legibility (laser marking only). When tested as specified in 4.8.1.3 the marking shall remain legible.

3.25.2 Full marking. Marking shall be in accordance with method I of MIL-STD-1285. Unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), coils shall be marked with the PIN, manufacturer's CAGE (Commercial and Government Entity) code, JAN marking, date code, and lot symbol as shown in the following example: (see 6.2).

Example: M39010/ PIN
01A1R0KM JAN 7233A JAN marking, date code, and lot symbol
12345 Manufacturer's CAGE code

At the option of the manufacturer, three lines may be used for the PIN. In this event the divisions shall be as specified in the following example:

Example: M39010
/01A PIN
1ROKM J7233A JAN marking, date code, and lot symbol
12345 Manufacturer's CAGE code
3.25.3 JAN and J marking. The United States Government has adopted, and is exercising legitimate control over the certification marks "JAN" and "J", respectively, to indicate that items so marked or identified are manufactured to, and meet all the requirements of specifications. Accordingly, items acquired to and meeting all of the criteria specified herein and in applicable specifications shall bear the certification mark "JAN" except that items too small to bear the certification mark "JAN" shall bear the letter "J". The "JAN" or "J" shall be placed immediately before the part number except that if such location would place a hardship on the manufacturer in connection with such marking, the "JAN" or "J" may be located on the first line above or below the part number. Items furnished under contracts or orders which either permit or require deviation from the conditions or requirements specified herein or in applicable specifications shall not bear "JAN" or "J". In the event an item fails to meet the requirements of this specification and the applicable specification sheets or associated specifications, the manufacturer shall remove completely the military part number and the "JAN" or the "J" from the sample tested and also from all items represented by the sample. The "JAN" or "J" certification mark shall not be used on products acquired to contractor drawings or specifications. The United States Government has obtained Certificate of Registration Number 504,860 for the certification mark "JAN" and Registration Number 2,577,735 for the certification mark "J".

3.25.4 Substitutability of product levels. A manufacturer may supply to those product levels, as listed in table IV, with failure rates (FR) higher than that to which he is qualified. Parts with lower FR are substitutable, with acquiring agency approval, for higher FR parts, provided the lot date codes of the parts are not changed.

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<th>Parts qualified to product level</th>
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<td>S</td>
<td>C, M, P, and R</td>
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<td>R</td>
<td>C, M and P</td>
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<td>P</td>
<td>C and M</td>
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3.25.5 Supplying to lower inductance tolerance levels. Parts qualified to lower inductance tolerance levels with procuring activity approval are suitable for higher tolerance levels as long as the label reflects the correct inductance (see table V). Parts that are physically marked shall not be remarked unless specified in the contract or order (see 6.2).

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Parts qualified to inductance tolerance</th>
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<tr>
<td>J(5)</td>
<td>K(10), L(20)</td>
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3.26 Pure tin. The use of pure tin, as an underplate or final finish, is prohibited both internally and externally. Tin content of, the coil, components and solder finish shall not exceed 97 percent, by mass. Tin shall be alloyed with a minimum of 3 percent lead, by mass (see 6.6). Use of lead-free, tin alloy high temperature solders for internal connections requires approval by the qualifying activity. The tin content of lead-free high temperature solders shall not exceed 97 percent by mass. In addition, completed devices shall not be re-plated.
3.27 Workmanship. Coils shall be processed in such a manner as to be uniform in quality and free of defects that will affect life, serviceability, or appearance.

4. VERIFICATION

4.1 Classification of inspections. The examination and testing of inductors shall be classified as follows:

a. Qualification inspection (see 4.4).
b. Verification of qualification (see 4.5).
c. Conformance inspection (see 4.6).
d. Periodic inspection (see 4.7).

4.2 QPL system. A QPL system shall be established and maintained in accordance with 3.3. Evidence of such compliance is a prerequisite for qualification and retention of qualification.

4.3 Inspection conditions. Unless otherwise specified, all inspections shall be performed in accordance with the test conditions as specified in the "General Requirements" of MIL-STD-202. The exception to those conditions is the Relative Humidity which should be in the range of 15 percent to 75 percent.

4.3.1 Test voltage. The test voltage shall contain no more than 5 percent harmonic distortion.

4.3.2 Test frequency. When a test frequency is specified without a tolerance, the frequency used shall be within 0.1 percent of the specified value.

4.3.3 Demagnetization. When necessary to overcome remanence effects, demagnetization is permitted.

4.3.4 Test equipment and inspection facilities. Test and measuring equipment and inspection facilities of sufficient accuracy, quality, and quantity to permit performance of the required inspection shall be established and maintained by the inspection facility. The establishment and maintenance of a calibration system to control the accuracy of the measuring and test equipment shall be in accordance with ISO/IEC17025, ISO-10012, or equivalent system as approved by the qualifying activity.

4.4 Qualification inspection. Qualification inspection shall be performed at a laboratory acceptable to the Government (see 6.3) on sample units produced with equipment and procedures normally used in production.

4.4.1 Sample size. The number of sample units comprising a sample of coils to be submitted for qualification inspection shall be as specified in the appendix A to this specification and table VI.

4.4.2 Test routine. Sample units shall be subjected to the qualification inspection specified in table VI in the order shown. All sample units, except group III, shall be subjected to the inspection of group I. The sample units shall then be divided as specified in table VI and subjected to the inspection for their particular group.

4.4.3 Failures. Failures in excess of those allowed in table VI shall be cause for refusal to grant qualification approval.

4.4.4 FRL and verification.

4.4.4.1 FR qualification. FR qualification shall be in accordance with the general and detailed requirements of MIL-STD-690 with the following details:

a. Procedure I: Qualification at the initial FRL. Level M (1 percent/1,000 hours) of FRSP-60 shall apply. Sample units shall be subjected to the qualification inspection specified in group VI, table
VI. The entire life test sample shall be continued on test to 10,000 hours as specified in 4.8.19 upon completion of the 2,000 hour qualification.

b. Procedure II: Extension of qualification to lower FRLs. To extend qualification to the R (0.01 percent) and S (0.001 percent) FRLs, two or more classes of all core materials may be combined.

c. Procedure III: Maintenance of FRL qualification. Maintenance period B of FRSP-10 shall apply. Regardless of the number of production lots produced during this period, the specified number of unit hours shall be accumulated to maintain qualification (see 4.7.1.1). For FRL R and FRL S all classes and core materials may be combined.

4.5 Verification of qualification. Every twelve(12) months the manufacturer shall provide verification of qualification to the qualifying activity. Continuation of qualification is based on meeting the following requirements.

a. MIL-STD-790 program.
b. The design of the coil has not been modified.
c. Requirements for group B inspection are met.
d. FRLs are maintained as required.
e. PPM assessment.
f. Continued qualification to non-ER level (C) shall be based on continued maintenance of qualification for the ER part (FRL P).

4.6 Conformance inspection.

4.6.1 Inspection of product for delivery.

4.6.1.1 Non-ER coils. The manufacturer’s inspection system shall be used for preparation for delivery.

4.6.1.2 ER coils. Inspection of product for delivery shall consist of group A inspection.

4.6.2 Inspection and production lot.

4.6.2.1 Inspection lot. An inspection lot shall consist of all the coils of the same class and core material produced under essentially the same conditions, and offered for inspection at one time. However, for solderability testing, the combination of core and class types is allowed. The manufacturer may combine coils of different inductance values and inductance tolerances. The inductance value shall be equally representative of the product lot for that period. The total number of pieces in any given lot submitted for quality conformance inspection shall not exceed the number of pieces accumulated from one month’s production. Non-ER and ER lots shall be kept separate.

4.6.2.2 Production lot. A production lot shall consist of all coils of a single PIN. Manufacture of all parts in the lot shall have been started, processed, assembled, and tested as a group. Lot identity shall be maintained throughout the manufacturing cycle. Non-ER and ER lots shall be kept separate.

4.6.3 Group A inspection.

4.6.3.1 Non-ER coils. The manufacturer shall establish and maintain an inspection system to verify that coils meet the electrical, visual/mechanical, and solderability requirements. In-line or process control may be part of such a system. The inspection system shall also include criteria for lot rejection and corrective actions. The inspection system shall be verified under the overall MIL-STD-790 QPL system. NOTE: Since the non-ER (C level) is the ER design without the mandatory conformance inspection and FRL assessment, this product is still expected to meet the environmental qualification type requirements (e.g., moisture resistance, shock, vibration, etc.).
4.6.3.2 **ER coils.** Group A inspection shall consist of the inspections specified in table VII, in the order shown.

4.6.3.2.1 **Subgroup 1 tests.** Subgroup 1 tests shall be performed on a production lot basis on 100 percent of the product supplied under this specification. Coils failing the tests of subgroup 1 shall be removed from the lot. If during the 100 percent inspection, screening requires more than 5 percent of the coils be discarded, the entire lot shall be rejected.

4.6.3.2.2 **Manufacturer's production inspection.** If the manufacturer performs tests similar to those specified in subgroup 1, table VII, as the final step of his production process, group A, subgroup 1 inspection may be eliminated when approved by the qualifying activity. The following criteria shall be used in making this determination:

a. The production tests are identical to, or more stringent than, the subgroup 1 tests.
b. 100 percent of the product is subjected to these tests.
c. Failure criteria are identical to, or more stringent than, the subgroup 1 tests.
d. Lot rejection criteria are identical to, or more stringent than, subgroup 1 tests.
e. Once approved, future changes also require approval by the qualifying activity.
# TABLE VI. Qualification inspection.

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<td>4.8.2</td>
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<td>All units (except group III)</td>
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<td>4.8.3</td>
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1/ Combined submission will be in accordance with the appendix A (see A.3.1.2).
2/ Thermal shock, Inductance, and Q, need not be performed if the manufacturer presents certified data proving that tests have been previously performed as part of group A inspections.
3/ After the overload test is performed, a period of 24 hours shall elapse prior to taking electrical characteristics (final) measurements.
4/ The units shall be clean units that have not been subjected to any other test.
5/ The fungus requirement is either by certification or performance.
### TABLE VII. Group A inspection.

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1/ Coils shall meet the specified initial inductance and Q values.

2/ The manufacturer may request the deletion of the subgroup 2, visual and mechanical examination, provided an in-line or process control system for assessing and assuring the visual and mechanical requirements are met, can be validated and approved by the qualifying activity. Deletion of this examination does not relieve the manufacturer from meeting these requirements.

3/ The manufacturer may request the deletion of the subgroup 3 solderability test, provided an in-line or process control system for assessing and assuring the solderability of leads can be validated and approved by the qualifying activity. Deletion of this examination does not relieve the manufacturer from meeting these requirements.
TABLE VIII.  Group A sampling plan.

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4.6.3.2.3 Subgroup 2. A sample of parts shall be randomly selected in accordance with table VIII. If one or more defects are found, the lot shall be rescreened and defects removed. After screening and removal of defects, a new sample of parts shall be randomly selected in accordance with table VIII. If one or more defects are found in the second sample, the lot shall be rejected and shall not be supplied to this specification.

4.6.3.2.4 Subgroup 3.

4.6.3.2.4.1 Sampling plan. Thirteen samples shall be randomly selected from every inspection lot and subjected to the solderability test. The manufacturer may use electrical rejects from the subgroup 1 screening tests for all or part of the samples to be used for solderability testing. If there are one or more defects, the lot shall be considered to have failed.

4.6.3.2.4.2 Rejected lots. In the event of one or more defects, the inspection lot is rejected. The manufacturer may use one of the following options to rework the lot.

a. If only a portion of the inspection lot is suspected as being defective a "sublot" breakdown can be established to assist in verifying that condition. This sublotting can be based on size, value, date lot code, or other factors that could have made the processing of the other sublots different from the parts sampled and which failed the first sample.

Each sublot must contain a complete sample size and be accepted or rejected on zero accept criteria. In any case, the sublot category that failed in the original submission will not be allowed to be shipped until after that sublot is reworked and has passed the subsequent resubmission. If the sublots that did not fail in the original submission pass after individual sampling, they may be shipped as good lots. Sublot groupings that fail the solderability test may be tested at the production lot level in 4.6.3.2.4.2b or reworked and retested as described in procedure of 4.6.3.2.4.2c.

b. Each production lot that was used to form the original inspection lot may be individually submitted to the solderability test as required in 4.6.3.2.4.2.a. Production lots that pass the solderability test are available for shipment. Production lots failing the solderability test may be reworked and retested as described in the procedure of paragraph 4.6.3.2.4.2c.
c. The manufacturer submits the failed lot(s) to a 100 percent hot solder dip using an approved dip process in accordance with 3.5.2.2. A new inspection lot or lots are formed and thirteen additional samples shall then be selected from each of these lots and subjected to the solderability test with zero defects allowed. If the lot(s) fails this solderability test the lot(s) may be reworked a second time and retested. If the lot(s) fails this second rework, the lot(s) shall be considered rejected and shall not be furnished against the requirements of this specification. Following the hot solder dip and successful completion of the resubmitted sample testing, the electrical measurements required in group A, subgroup 1 tests shall be repeated on 100 percent of the lot(s). The percent defective allowable (PDA) for the electrical measurements shall be as for the subgroup 1 tests.

4.6.3.2.4.3 Disposition of samples. The solderability test is considered a destructive test and samples submitted to the solderability test shall not be supplied on the contract or order.

4.6.3.3 PPM calculations. The manufacturer shall establish a PPM system in accordance with 3.3.2 for assessing and calculating average outgoing quality of coils. A PPM rate for inductance shall be assessed for lots that have passed group A inspection. The manufacturer’s PPM system shall also address preventive and corrective action procedures for lots failing PPM assessment. Data from the preventive and corrective action process shall not be used to calculate PPM.

4.7 Periodic inspection (ER only). Periodic inspection shall consist of group B inspection. Except where the results of this inspection show noncompliance with the applicable requirements (see 6.3), delivery of products which have passed group A inspection shall not be delayed pending the results of these periodic inspections.

4.7.1 Group B inspection. Group B inspection shall consist of the tests specified in table IX, in the order shown, and shall be performed on sample units of each class and core material and selected from lots that have passed group A inspection. Test data obtained shall be reviewed as part of the complete verification of qualification. Coil styles manufactured during that month shall be represented, as far as practical, in at least the approximate ratio of production.

4.7.1.1 Sampling plan.

4.7.1.1.1 Monthly (subgroup 1). Test samples shall be selected from each class and core material produced during a one-month period. These samples shall be accumulated and placed on the life test as specified in 4.8.19, once a month, for the full 10,000-hour life test period. The test sample size shall be determined by the manufacturer so that the unit hours generated meet the maintenance of qualification requirements specified for the qualified FRL (see 4.4.4). In any event, a minimum of five samples shall be selected from each class and core material. As far as is practicable, the inductance values tested during maintenance period shall be representative of the class and core material produced during this period. The accumulated data shall be used for maintenance and extension of FR qualification.

4.7.1.1.2 Quarterly (subgroup 2). Every 3 months, 4 sample units of any inductance value shall be subjected to subgroup 2 inspection.

4.7.1.1.3 Quarterly (subgroup 3). Every 3 months, 12 sample units of any inductance value shall be inspected.

4.7.1.1.4 Yearly (subgroup 4). Every year, 12 sample units of any inductance value shall be inspected.
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1/ If the manufacturer can demonstrate that these tests have been performed five consecutive times with zero failures, these tests, with the approval of the qualifying activity, can be deleted. The manufacturer, however, shall perform these tests every three years after the deletion as part of long term design verification. If the design, material, construction, or processing of the part is changed or, if there are any quality problems, the qualifying activity may require resumption of the specified testing. Deletion of testing does not relieve the manufacturer from meeting the test requirement in case of dispute.

2/ Nonlaser marked units.

3/ Laser marked units only.

4/ If the manufacturer can demonstrate that these tests have been performed five consecutive times with zero failures, the frequency of these tests, with the approval of the qualifying activity can be performed on an annual basis. If the design, material, construction, or processing of the part is changed or, if there are any quality problems or failures, the qualifying activity may require resumption of the original test frequency.

5/ After overload test is performed, a period of 24 hours shall elapse prior to taking electrical characteristics (final) measurements for ferrite core coils only.
4.7.1.2 **Disposition of sample units.** Sample units which have been subjected to group B inspection shall not be delivered on the contract or order.

4.7.1.3 **Noncompliance.** If a sample fails to pass group B inspection, the manufacturer shall notify the qualifying activity and the cognizant inspection activity of such failure and take corrective action on the materials or processes, or both, as warranted, and on all units of product which can be corrected and which are manufactured under essentially the same materials and processes, and which are considered subject to the same failure. Acceptance and shipment of the product shall be discontinued until corrective action, acceptable to the qualifying activity has been taken. After the corrective action has been taken, group B inspection shall be repeated on additional sample units (all tests and examinations, or the test which the original sample failed, at the option of the qualifying activity). Group A inspection may be reinstituted; however, final acceptance and shipment shall be withheld until the group B inspection has shown that the corrective action was successful.

4.8 **Methods of inspection.**

4.8.1 **Visual and mechanical inspection.**

4.8.1.1 **External.** Coils shall be inspected to verify that the weight, materials, external design and construction, physical dimensions, marking, and workmanship are in accordance with the applicable requirements (see 3.1, 3.4 to 3.5.1 inclusive, 3.5.3, 3.25, 3.26 and 3.27).

4.8.1.2 **Internal.** Coils shall be inspected to verify that the materials, internal design, construction, and workmanship are in accordance with the applicable requirements (see 3.1, 3.4 to 3.4.3 inclusive, 3.26 and 3.27).

4.8.1.3 **Marking legibility (laser marking only, see 3.25.1).** Coils shall be coated with .005 inch (0.13 mm) minimum of silicone resin insulating compound. After curing, coated coils shall be examined for legibility under normal production room lighting by an inspector with normal or corrected 20/20 vision.

4.8.2 **Thermal shock (see 3.6).** Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-107. The following details and exceptions shall apply:

   a. Test condition A-1 (25 cycles). Step 3 shall be at the maximum temperature of the class. NOTE: The manufacturer has the option of performing the group A thermal shock test at 125°C for all products supplied to this specification. However, performing the test at a higher temperature than the maximum operating temperature for some QPL coils is at the risk of the manufacturer.

   b. After the test, coils shall be inspected for evidence of mechanical damage.

4.8.3 **Electrical characteristics (see 3.1 and 3.7).** The coils shall be mounted by their normal mounting means on their applicable test fixture. The electrical characteristics to be determined shall include inductance, Q, self-resonant frequency, and dc resistance. Additional electrical characteristics shall be measured when specified.

4.8.3.1 **Inductance.** Unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), effective inductance of coils shall be measured at the frequency specified. For cylindrical coils, the test procedures of 4.8.3.1.1 and 4.8.3.1.2 shall be used. (NOTE: Hewlett Packard model HP4342A is the preferred equipment as reference standard.) When true inductance is specified (see 3.1), the following test procedure, or equivalent, shall be used. Calibrated capacitor shall be used to tune the winding to resonance at several frequencies. The points shall describe a straight line of added capacitance, one point of which shall be 1 \( \times \frac{1}{f_0^3} \) as abscissa, versus the reciprocal of the frequency squared, as ordinate, to be plotted, and true inductance to be calculated by the following formula:
True inductance = KM

Where:  
\[
K = \frac{I}{4\pi^2} = 0.0253
\]

M = Slope of line representing added capacitance.
fo = Self-resonant frequency of the coil at the abscissa of zero capacity.

4.8.3.1.1 Effective inductance for cylindrical coils (inductance 0.10 to 10.0 µH, inclusive). The tests shall be performed using a meter such as HP4342A or equivalent at appropriate test frequencies as listed in the instructions for the test equipment. Suitable means shall be used to calibrate the frequency dial of the Q meter within ±0.1 percent for the applicable test frequency. Frequencies to be used for testing the various ranges of inductance shall be as follows:

Where improved test repeatability is required (qualification, Group B maintenance and/or supplier/customer correlation) results shall be obtained while maintaining test frequency using an external Frequency Counter within the following limits:

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<tr>
<th>Inductance range, µH</th>
<th>Test frequency (MHz) for HP4342</th>
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<tr>
<td>0.10 to 1.0 inclusive</td>
<td>25.1730 ±0.1 percent</td>
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<tr>
<td>Above 1.0 to 10.0 inclusive</td>
<td>7.96180 ±0.1 percent</td>
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<tr>
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<tr>
<td>minimum</td>
<td>maximum</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.10 to 1.0 inclusive</td>
<td>25.1727</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>25.1733</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Above 1.0 to 10.0 inclusive</td>
<td>7.96177</td>
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<td>7.96183</td>
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Allowance shall be made for the internal inductance of the meter and the test fixture as determined in 4.8.3.1.1.1.

4.8.3.1.1.1 Effective inductance. Effective inductance shall be determined as follows when using test fixture TF-A, as applicable, on figure 1. The appropriate test fixture shall be inserted in the Q meter coil terminals with the side showing the test fixture letter facing the capacitance terminals. The appropriate shorting bar conforming to figure 2 shall be inserted in the clips of the test fixture in such a manner that the terminals rest firmly against the stops, and so that the bar is centered between the test fixture terminals. The Q meter capacitance dial shall be set at 400 picofarads (pF) and the Vernier capacitance dial at zero. The Q meter shall then be resonated using the frequency dial until a peak reading is obtained. The frequency shall be monitored in order to obtain an accuracy of 0.1 percent. This resonant frequency value in megahertz (MHz) shall be recorded.

The main capacitance dial shall be calibrated periodically in accordance with a routine calibration program for test equipment. The sum of the residual inductance of the Q meter and the inductance of the test fixture shall be calculated from:

\[
L_{cf} = \frac{I}{4\pi^2 f^2 C} - L_b
\]

Where:
\( L_{cf} \) = inductance in µH of the test fixture and residual inductance of the Q meter.
\( f \) = frequency in megahertz.
\( C \) = capacitance in microfarads.
\( L_b \) = calculated inductance in µH of the shorting bar as determined from the following formula:
\[ L_0 = 0.002l \cdot \left(2.303 \log_{10} \frac{4l}{d} - 1 + \frac{d}{2l}\right) \]

Where:
- \( l \) = length of wire (cm).
- \( d \) = diameter of cross section (cm).

The shorting bar shall then be removed from the test fixture and the Q meter frequency shall be set to the frequencies specified in 4.8.3.1.1. The coil under test shall then be inserted in the test fixture in such a manner that the leads are straight and rest firmly against the stops, and so that the unit is centered between the test fixture terminals. The L-C dial of the Q meter shall then be turned until the resonance meter indicates a peak reading. The inductance \( (L_d) \) shall be read directly on the L-C dial, using the inductance scale and the effective inductance (see 3.1) of the coil calculated from the formula:

\[ L = L_d - L_{cf} \]

Where:
- \( L \) = effective inductance in µH of coils.
- \( L_d \) = inductance dial reading in µH.
- \( L_{cf} \) = correction factor for inductance of test fixture and residual inductance of the Q meter in µH.
NOTES:
1. Dimensions are in inches.
2. Unless otherwise specified, tolerance is ±0.005 inch (0.13 mm).
3. Letters in blocks to be marked on fixture.
4. Metric equivalents are given for general information only.
5. The entire test clip will be made of brass.

FIGURE 1. Test fixture TF-A (for axial leads) or equivalent.
NOTES:
1. Dimensions are in inches.
2. Metric equivalents are given for general information only.

FIGURE 2. Shorting bar for test fixture TF-A (for axial leads).

4.8.3.1.2 Effective inductance for cylindrical coils (inductance greater than 10 µH). Test as specified in 4.8.3.1.1, except that no allowance is made for residual inductance of Q meter and inductance of test fixture. Frequencies to be used for testing various ranges of inductance shall be as follows: (NOTE: Hewlett Packard model HP4342A is the preferred equipment as reference standard)

Where improved test repeatability is required (qualification, group B maintenance and/or supplier/customer correlation) results shall be obtained while maintaining test frequency within the following limits:

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<th>Inductance range, µH</th>
<th>Test frequency (MHz) for HP4342</th>
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<tr>
<td>Above 10.0 to 100.0 inclusive</td>
<td>2.51730 ±0.1 percent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Above 100.0 to 1,000.0 inclusive</td>
<td>.79618 ±0.1 percent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Above 1,000.0 to 10,000.0 inclusive</td>
<td>.251730 ±0.1 percent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Above 10,000.0 to 100,000.0 inclusive</td>
<td>.079618 ±0.1 percent</td>
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Where improved test repeatability is required (qualification, group B maintenance and/or supplier/customer correlation) results shall be obtained while maintaining test frequency within the following limits:

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<tr>
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<th>Test frequency (MHz) for HP4342A</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Above 10.0 to 100.0 inclusive</td>
<td>2.51727 to 2.51733</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Above 100.0 to 1,000.0 inclusive</td>
<td>.796177 to .796183</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Above 1,000.0 to 10,000.0 inclusive</td>
<td>.251727 to .251733</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Above 10,000.0 to 100,000.0 inclusive</td>
<td>.0796177 to .0796183</td>
</tr>
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4.8.3.2 Q of coils. The test shall be performed using a Q meter (see 3.7.2) such as Hewlett Packard model HP4342A, or equivalent. Suitable means shall be used to calibrate the frequency dial of the Q meter and the Q-standard within 0.1 percent of the applicable test frequency. Frequencies to be used for testing the various ranges of inductance shall be as specified in 4.8.3.1.1 and 4.8.3.1.2. The appropriate test fixture, as applicable, as shown on figure 1 shall be assembled to the coil terminals of the Q meter, with the side showing the test fixture letter facing the capacitance terminals. The unit under test shall then be inserted into the test clip in such a manner that the leads are straight and rest firmly against the stops, and so that the unit is centered between the terminals. The Q shall then be read on the Q voltmeter.
4.8.3.3 **Self-resonant frequency.** Unshielded coils shall be placed in the field of a variable-frequency oscillator, such as Measurements Corporation megacycle meter, model 59, or equivalent. The oscillator shall include a device for indicating the relative amount of power absorbed from the field (e.g., a grid-dip meter). The unit under test shall be placed on the appropriate test fixture shown on figure 3. Units shall be suspended or supported a minimum of one and one-half inches from any surface other than the test fixture supports or oscillator coil. The frequency of the oscillator shall be varied through the frequency range near the self-resonant frequency specified (see 3.1 and 6.1). At any frequency in the frequency range where an abrupt increase in power absorption is indicated, the coupling between the oscillator coil and the unit under test shall be decreased, by increasing the separation between the coils, until a moderate dip in grid current results when tuning to this resonance. This frequency shall be considered the self-resonant frequency of the unit, and shall be accurately determined by suitable means to within ±0.2 percent. A check shall be made for spurious indications due to a resonance not associated with the unit under test by removing the unit from the field (at frequencies below 2.5 MHz, any suitable method may be used). Coils which cannot be resonated in this manner shall be tested as specified in 4.8.3.3.1. Shielded coils shall be tested in a similar manner, however, when electrostatic shielded coils are tested, the shield of the coil shall be grounded. The following method may be used as an alternate method of measurement of shielded coils (see 3.7.3).

4.8.3.3.1 **Alternate test method.** Use of an Impedance analyzer, impedance gain-phase analyzer or network analyzer is acceptable test equipment. For axial lead coils, a text fixture shall be connected to the part at approximately 0.50 inch to 1 inch from the body. Leads are to be maintained in a straight, unbent position during test. Compensation of internal meter and fixture capacitance is permitted.
NOTES:
1. Dimensions are in inches.
2. Unless otherwise specified, tolerance is ±.005 inch (0.13 mm).
3. Metric equivalents are given for general information only.

FIGURE 3. Test fixture for self-resonant frequency test (for axial leads) or equivalent.
4.8.3.4 Percent coupling (when specified) (see 3.7.4). The percent coupling of radio frequency coils is determined by table X. Two coils with the same dash number shall be placed side by side and in contact with each other. The inductance values are taken of the two coils, first series aiding \( (LT_1) \) and then series bucking \( (LT_2) \) at the frequency specified. The ac test voltage shall be the lowest voltage across the coil which will provide suitable measurement resolution. The percent coupling is then calculated using the following formula:

\[
\text{Percent coupling} = \frac{M}{\sqrt{LT_1LT_2}} \times 100
\]

Where:

\[ M = \frac{LT_1 - LT_2}{4} \]

\( M \) = coefficient of mutual inductance in \( \mu \text{H} \).

\( LT_1 \) = total inductance series aiding (\( \mu \text{H} \))

\( LT_2 \) = total inductance series bucking (\( \mu \text{H} \))

The inductance values \( L_1 \) and \( L_2 \) in \( \mu \text{H} \) are the measured values of the two coils under measurement at the specified frequency in table X.

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<tr>
<th>Inductance</th>
<th>Test frequency</th>
<th>Instrument</th>
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<tr>
<td>( \mu \text{H} )</td>
<td>kHz</td>
<td>Industry standard precision LCR meter</td>
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<tr>
<td>( \leq 1.0 )</td>
<td>100.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>&gt;1.0 to 100 incl.</td>
<td>10.0</td>
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<td>&gt;100</td>
<td>1.0</td>
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4.8.3.4.1 Percent coupling (alternate method). The percent coupling between two radio frequency coils is to be determined by measuring the voltage induced in a coil when a voltage is applied to an adjacent coil. In order to maintain reasonable impedance levels, the measurement is to be performed at 100 kHz for nominal inductances of 10 \( \mu \text{H} \) or less, at 10 kHz for nominal inductances less than or equal to 100 \( \mu \text{H} \) but greater than 10 \( \mu \text{H} \), and at 1 kHz for inductances greater than 100 \( \mu \text{H} \). The measurement circuit is shown on figure 4.
FIGURE 4. Test circuit for percent coupling (alternate method).

Equipment for 1 kHz and 10 kHz consists of Hewlett Packard Model 200 audio oscillator and model 400 vacuum tube voltmeter; for 100 kHz model 606 signal generator and model 400 vacuum tube voltmeter, or equivalent. The coils to be tested shall be taped or otherwise secured such that the bodies of the coils are kept parallel and in contact with each other to insure maximum coupling. The voltage levels shall be as low as possible to permit reliable readings of $V_2$. The inductance $L$ should be measured at the same voltage level so that any saturation effects are taken into account.

The percent coupling is to be calculated using the equation:

\[
\text{Percent coupling} = \frac{L_1}{L_2} \times \frac{V_2}{V_1} \times 100
\]

Where:
- $L_1$ = effective inductance of primary coil (measured at test frequency)
- $L_2$ = effective inductance of secondary coil
- $V_1$ = voltage measured across primary
- $V_2$ = voltage measured across secondary

NOTE: This test may also be performed using the Q meter for the oscillator at the standard test frequency allowing simultaneous reading of $L_1$. Reversing the coils allows reading of $L_2$ and also a second measurement of coupling for verification or averaging.

The percent coupling is to be calculated using the equation

\[
\text{Percent coupling} = \frac{50}{Q} \frac{V_2}{\sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}}} \times 100
\]

Where:
- $L_1$ = effective inductance of primary coil (measured at test frequency)
- $L_2$ = effective inductance of secondary coil
- $V_2$ = voltage measured across secondary
- $Q$ = as measured
4.8.3.5 Incremental current inductance change (when specified) (see 3.7.5). Incremental current inductance change is the dc current required to cause a change of no more than 5 percent from the inductance measured with zero dc current and the inductance measured with the specified value of incremental current (see 3.1). This test is performed using an Industry standard precision LCR meter, or equivalent, at 10 kilohertz (kHz) for inductance values between 10 µH and 100 µH, and 1 kHz for inductance values greater than 100 µH, and the Industry standard precision LCR meter, or equivalent at 10 kHz for inductance values less than 10 µH. The ac test voltage to be used across the coil for bridge operation shall be determined by the following formula:

\[ E = f \sqrt{L} \]

where:

- \( E \) = voltage (rms) in millivolts
- \( f \) = frequency in kilohertz
- \( L \) = nominal value of inductance in µH

This voltage is to be measured with a suitable voltmeter connected directly across the coil. This voltmeter is disconnected prior to making the inductance measurement. The inductance of the coil under test shall be determined and recorded with zero dc current in the coil. The specified value of incremental current shall be applied through the coil and this inductance measurement recorded. The change in inductance between the two values shall be less than 5 percent.

4.8.3.6 DC resistance. DC resistance of coils shall be measured in accordance with MIL-STD-202-303 (see 3.7.6).

4.8.4 Dielectric withstanding voltage (see 3.8). Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-301. The following details shall apply:

a. Special preparation or conditions. Cylindrical insulated coils shall be clamped in the trough of a 90 degree metallic V-block using a metallic strap with a 0.075 inch-thick layer of conductive moisture-resistant resilient material, having a resistivity of less than 1,000 ohms per centimeter, shall be bonded to the surface of the strap next to the coils. The body of the coil shall not extend beyond the extremities of the block or resilient material. The surface of the V-block shall be free from contamination. The coil leads shall be so positioned that the distance between the leads and any point of the V-block shall be not less than the radius of the coil and minus the radius of the lead wire. The metallic V-block shall be of noncorrosive material.

b. Magnitude of test voltage. The ac test voltage shall be a minimum of 1,000 volts with a leakage current not to exceed 100 µA unless otherwise specified (see 3.1). The time duration shall not exceed 60 seconds.

c. Points of application of test voltage. Unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), the test voltage shall be applied between the leads of the coil connected together and the V-block with block and metal strap at ground potential.

d. Inspection after test. Coils shall be inspected for evidence of damage resulting from arcing, flashover, breakdown of insulation, or other damage.

4.8.5 Barometric pressure (when applicable) (see 3.9). Coils designed for operation above 10,000 feet shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-105. The following details and exceptions shall apply:
a. Special preparation or conditions. Cylindrical insulated coils shall be clamped in the trough of a 90 degree metallic V-block using a metallic strap with a 0.075 inch-thick layer of conductive moisture-resistant resilient material, having a resistivity of less than 1,000 ohms per centimeter, shall be bonded to the surface of the strap next to the coils. The body of the coil shall not extend beyond the extremities of the block or resilient material. The surface of the V-block shall be free from contamination. The coil leads shall be so positioned that the distance between the leads and any point of the V-block shall be not less than the radius of the coil and minus the radius of the lead wire.

b. Test condition as specified (see 3.1).

c. Test during subjection to reduced pressure. Coils shall be subjected to 60 Hz, ac test voltage at a minimum of 200 volts rms at 70,000 feet unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), for a minimum of 60 seconds.

d. Points of application of test voltage. Unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), the test voltage shall be applied between the leads of the coil connected together and the V-block with block and metal strap at ground potential.

e. Inspection after test. Coils shall be inspected for evidence of damage resulting from arcing, flashover, breakdown of insulation, or other damage.

4.8.6 Insulation resistance (see 3.10). Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-302. The following details and exceptions shall apply:

a. Test condition letter B, except that for coils with a dielectric withstanding test voltage less than 500 volts (see 3.1), test condition letter A shall be used.

b. Points of measurement. Unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), measurements shall be made between insulated points. For cylindrical coils, the measurements shall be made between the coil winding and the metal strap in the coil-connecting assembly specified on figure 5 or between the coil leads connected together and the V-block (see 4.8.5d).

![FIGURE 5. Coil contacting assembly for mounting during polarization.](image)

4.8.7 Winding continuity (see 3.11). All windings of coils shall be tested for electrical continuity by any suitable means that will not introduce currents in excess of the rated value, or the incremental current value (when specified see 3.1), whichever is less.

See figure 6 for test circuit that is recommended for ferrite core coils to limit the test current to less than .6 mA.
4.8.8 Temperature rise (see 3.12). The temperature rise of cylindrical coils shall be determined as specified in 4.8.8.1. The temperature rise of the winding of other coils (when specified see 3.1) shall be determined by any suitable method (preferably by the resistance-change method). This test shall be performed at the specified ambient temperature and with rated dc current applied (see 3.1). When the resistance of the winding, measured at 5 minute intervals, remains constant, the temperature of the winding requires the removal of power. The measurement shall be made within 10 seconds after the removal of power.

4.8.8.1 For cylindrical coils. The coil under test shall be connected in one of two ways: (1) to a test fixture conforming to figure 7 with each wire lead wrapped one turn around the test fixture terminal and shall be soldered to the terminal for uniform low contact resistance or (2) solder to test terminal without wrapping or forming for uniform contact resistance. The test fixture, with the attached coil, shall then be placed in a test chamber which allows forced-air circulation to be shut off during testing. The test chamber shall be free of test-area drafts and direct thermal radiation. A temperature-indicating device with an accuracy of ±0.5°C shall be located in the area surrounding the coil under test, but not where it will be influenced by the temperature rise of the coil. The test chamber temperature shall then be stabilized at the specified ambient temperature (see 3.1). The dc resistance (r) shall be measured with one-tenth rated dc applied at the specified ambient temperature (t). When the resistance of the coil is stabilized, the resistance value shall be recorded. The ammeter-voltmeter method may be used for determining this resistance provided that the accuracy of these meters is ±0.5 percent or better and the resistance of the voltmeter is at least 1,000 ohms per volt. The rated dc (see 3.1), shall then be applied to the coil under test, using a stable current source such as a storage battery. Forced-air circulation shall be shut off when rated current is applied. When the resistance of the coil under test is stabilized with rated current applied, the resistance (R) and the test chamber temperature (T) shall be recorded. The temperature rise (ΔT) shall be calculated by the following formula:

\[ ΔT = \frac{R - r}{r} \times \frac{1}{(t + 234.5) - (T - t)} \]

Where:
- ΔT = temperature rise in °C above the specified ambient temperature of the coil under test.
- R = resistance of coil in ohms with rated direct current applied at temperature (T + ΔT).
- r = resistance of coil in ohms at temperature (t), the specified ambient temperature.
- t = stabilized specified ambient temperature in °C of the coil under test without dc current applied.
- T = ambient temperature in °C (at time forced-air circulation is shut off) with rated dc current applied. T shall not differ from t by more than 5°C.
4.8.9 Overload (see 3.13). DC current equivalent to one and one-half times the specified rated current (see 3.1), shall be applied to the windings for 5 minutes. After the test, coils shall be inspected for evidence of cracked cases, charred windings, distorted or softened insulation, or loosened windings or terminals.

4.8.10 Resistance to soldering heat (see 3.14). Terminals to be used for soldered connections shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-210. The following details shall apply:

a. Test condition letter - C.

b. After the test and as soon as the solder terminals have returned to room ambient temperature, the following test shall be made: Visual: There shall be no evidence of solder reflow of internal connections as evidenced by solder flowing from the body of the device.

NOTES:
1. Dimensions are in inches.
2. Metric equivalents are given for general information only.

FIGURE 7. Test fixture for temperature rise test on insulated coils or equivalent.
NOTES:
1. Dimensions are in inches.
2. Unless otherwise specified, tolerance is ± .005 inch (0.13 mm).
3. Metric equivalents are given for general information only.

FIGURE 7. Test fixture for temperature rise test on insulated coils or equivalent - Continued.
4.8.11 Terminal strength (see 3.15). Coils shall be tested as specified in 4.8.11.1 to 4.8.11.2.1, as applicable.

4.8.11.1 Pull.

4.8.11.1.1 All terminals. Each terminal shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-211. The following details shall apply:

a. Test condition A.
b. Applied force. Unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), the applied force shall be 5 pounds.

4.8.11.2 Twist.

4.8.11.2.1 Solid wire lead terminals. Each terminal shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-211, test condition D.

4.8.12 Solderability (see 3.16). Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-208. (NOTE: Both leads on each unit shall be tested.)

4.8.13 Resistance to solvents (see 3.17). Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-215. The following details shall apply:

a. Portion of specimen to be brushed (marked portion of coil).
b. Number of specimens to be tested (see tables VI and IX).
c. Permissible extent of damage to the specimen (see 3.13).

4.8.14 Flammability (see 3.18). Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-111. The following details and exception shall apply:

a. Point of impingement of applied flame. The flame shall be applied to the body and one end of each coil.
b. Allowable time for burning of visible flame on specimen: 3 minutes maximum.
c. Inspection during and after test. Coils shall be inspected for evidence of violent burning which results in an explosive-type fire, dripping of flaming material, and visible burning which continues beyond the allowable duration after removal of the applied flame.

4.8.15 Low temperature storage (see 3.19).

4.8.15.1 Mounting. Coils shall be mounted by their normal mounting means (see 3.1), in such a manner that there is at least 1 inch (25.4 mm) of free airspace around each coil, and in such a position with respect to the airstream that the mounting offers substantially no obstruction to the flow of air across and around the coil.

4.8.15.2 Procedure. Coils shall be placed in a cold chamber at -65°C ±5°C. Ninety-six hours after the coils have reached this temperature, the temperature of the chamber shall be gradually increased to room temperature within a period of not more than 8 hours. Coils shall be inspected for evidence of cracks or other mechanical damage.
4.8.16  **Vibration (see 3.20).** Coils shall be tested in accordance with 4.8.16.1.

#### 4.8.16.1  **Vibration, high frequency.** Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-204. The following details shall apply:

- **a.** Method of mounting. Coils shall be rigidly mounted on appropriate jig fixtures with their leads supported at a distance of 0.25 inch (6.3 mm) minimum, from the coil body. The coil shall be mounted with the body clamped or cemented to a flat surface. Where used, the cement material shall not extend above the coil body centerline in a vertical plane or beyond the coil body ends in a horizontal plane. In no case shall the coil body be completely encapsulated. These fixtures shall be constructed in a manner to insure that points of the coil-mounting supports will have the same motion as the vibration test table. The fixtures shall also be of a construction that will preclude any resonance in the fixture when subjected to vibration within the test frequency range, and the fixture shall be monitored for these features on the vibration table. Test leads used during this test shall be no larger than AWG 22 stranded wire, so that the influence of the test lead on the coil will be held to a minimum. The test lead length shall be no greater than necessary. In all cases, the coils shall be mounted in relation to the test equipment in such a manner that the stress applied is in the direction which would be considered most detrimental. A shielded cable which may be necessary because of the field surrounding the vibration table shall be clamped to the coil-mounting jig.
- **b.** Test condition D (.06 inch) (1.5 mm) double amplitude (maximum total excursion) or 20g, whichever is less, with 10 Hz through 2,000 Hz frequency.
- **c.** Measurement during vibration. Each coil shall be monitored to determine electrical discontinuity by a method which shall at least be sensitive enough to monitor or register, automatically, any electrical discontinuity of 0.1 millisecond or greater duration.
- **d.** Inspection after vibration. Coils shall be inspected for evidence of physical or mechanical damage, and winding continuity shall be tested as specified in 4.8.7.

4.8.17  **Shock (specified pulse) (see 3.21).** Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-213. The following details shall apply:

- **a.** Method of mounting. Coils shall be rigidly mounted on appropriate jig fixtures with their leads supported at a distance of 0.25 inch (6.3 mm) minimum, from the coil body. The coil shall be mounted with the body clamped or cemented to a flat surface. Where used, the cement material shall not extend above the coil body centerline in a vertical plane or beyond the coil body ends in a horizontal plane. In no case shall the coil body be completely encapsulated. These fixtures shall be constructed in a manner to insure that points of the coil-mounting supports will have the same motion as the shock test table. Test leads used during this test shall be no larger than AWG 22 stranded wire, so that the influence of the test lead on the coil will be held to a minimum. The test lead length shall be no greater than necessary. In all cases, the coils shall be mounted in relation to the test equipment in such a manner that the stress applied is in the direction which would be considered most detrimental.
- **b.** Test condition letter I.
- **c.** Inspection after test. Coils shall be tested for winding continuity as specified in 4.8.7 and inspected for evidence of physical or mechanical damage.
4.8.18 Moisture resistance (see 3.22). Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-106.
The following details and exceptions shall apply:

a. Mounting on racks. Cylindrical insulated coils shall be soldered by their leads to rigid mounts or terminal lugs. The spacing of the mounts or terminal lugs shall be such that the length of each coil lead is approximately .25 inch (6.3 mm) when measured from the edge of the supporting terminal to the coil body. For polarization (see 3.1 and 6.1), the coils shall be covered with a flat, corrosion-resistant metal strap and the width of the strap is equal to the length of the coils and sufficient thickness to be rigid. A 0.075-inch-thick (1.90 mm) layer of conductive, moisture-resistant, resilient material, having a resistivity of less than 1,000 ohms-centimeter, shall be bonded to the surface of the strap next to the coils. Sufficient contact pressure shall be maintained by applying a compressive force between the strap and a cylindrical, corrosion-resistant, nonconducting rod held beneath the coils, as shown on figure 5. The mounting strap may be used to cover one or more coils at a time. When units are removed from the humidity chamber, all mounting straps shall be removed to perform step 7a, and shall be replaced prior to returning the coils to the humidity chamber. Step 7b shall not be applicable.

b. Polarization. Unless otherwise specified (see 3.1), during step 1 to step 6 inclusive, a polarizing voltage of 100 volts dc shall be applied. The voltage shall be positive with respect to the mounting strap. For other type coils and units having no mounting hardware, the polarizing voltage shall be applied as specified (see 3.1).

c. Final measurements. Following the one and one-half hour to three and one-half hour conditioning period, unless otherwise specified (see 3.1 and 6.1), the units shall be removed to room ambient conditions. Within 30 minutes after removal, the dielectric withstanding voltage test specified in 4.8.4 shall be performed at 90 percent of the test voltage specified (see 3.1) and the insulation resistance test shall be performed in accordance with 4.8.6. Within 8 hours after these measurements, the specified electrical characteristics (see 3.1), shall be measured as specified in 4.8.3. After the test, units shall be inspected for evidence of corrosion.

4.8.19 Life (see 3.23). Coils shall be tested in accordance with MIL-STD-202-108. The following details and exceptions shall apply:

a. Method of mounting:

(1) Wire-lead terminal coils shall be supported by wire leads mounted by lightweight push-post terminals on each side of the body or equivalent. The effective length of each terminal shall be .125 inch (3.17 mm) minimum. The panel racks or breadboarding device shall be equipped with current sensing terminals. Coils shall be so arranged that the temperature of any one coil shall not appreciably influence the temperature of any other coil.

(2) All other terminals shall be supported as specified (see 3.1). Coils shall be so arranged that the temperature of any one coil shall not appreciably influence the temperature of any other coil.

b. Ambient test temperature and tolerances unless otherwise specified:

(1) Phenolic core coils: 90°C ±5°C.
(2) Iron core coils: 90°C ±5°C.
(3) Ferrite core coils: 90°C ±5°C.
(4) Other core coils: As specified (see 3.1).

c. Operating conditions: 100 percent rated cyclic loaded conditions (see 3.1), one and one-half hours on and one-half hour off, for the applicable number of hours specified and at the ambient test temperatures. "On time" shall be three-fourths of the total lapsed time.
d. Initial measurements:

(1) Qualification inspection: Measurement of inductance, Q, dc resistance, and self-resonant frequency shall be performed at room temperature prior to subjecting the coils to the specified test temperature. Initial measurements shall be in accordance with the electrical characteristics (initial) requirements of the individual component specification sheet.

(2) Extended life testing: Measurements of inductance and Q shall be performed at room temperature prior to subjecting the coils to the specified test temperature. Initial measurements shall be in accordance with the electrical characteristics (initial) requirements of the individual components specification sheet.

e. Test conditions: Two thousand hours elapsed time for qualification inspection with all samples continued to 10,000 hours. Ten thousand hours for group B FRL inspection.

f. Measurements during test:

(1) Qualification inspection. Measurements of inductance, Q, dc resistance and self-resonant frequency shall be made after 250 hours +72 hours, -24 hours; 500 hours +72 hours, -24 hours; 1,000 hours +72 hours, -24 hours; 2,000 hours +96 hours, -24 hours have elapsed. The coils shall be stabilized at room temperature for a minimum of one-half hour after removal from the test chamber prior to taking measurements. Coils shall remain at room temperature for no greater period of time than necessary to perform the required measurements before return to test chamber.

(2) Extended life test. Coils shall be tested for a period of 10,000 hours +96 hours -0 hours. Inductance and Q shall be measured at the following intervals: 250 hours +72 hours, -24 hours; 500 hours +72 hours, -24 hours; 1,000 hours +72 hours, -24 hours; and 2,000 hours +96 hours, -24 hours thereafter. Final measurements after exposure shall include dc resistance and self-resonant frequency (see 3.1).

g. Inspection after test. Coils shall be inspected for evidence of mechanical damage.

4.8.20 Fungus (see 3.24). Unless certification is provided, coils shall be tested in accordance with method 508 of MIL-STD-810.

5. PACKAGING

5.1 Packaging. For acquisition purposes, the packaging requirements shall be as specified in the contract or order (see 6.2). When actual packaging of materiel is to be performed by DoD personnel, these personnel need to contact the responsible packaging activity to ascertain requisite packaging requirements. Packaging requirements are maintained by the Inventory Control Point's packaging activity within the Military Department or Defense Agency, or within the Military Department's System Command. Packaging data retrieval is available from the managing Military Department's or Defense Agency's automated packaging files, CD-ROM products, or by contacting the responsible packaging activity.

6. NOTES

(This section contains information of a general or explanatory nature that may be helpful, but is not mandatory.)

6.1 Intended Use. These radio frequency coils are designed for use in radio frequency circuits where the need for resistance to immersion and moisture, reliability, long life, and continuity of operation are necessary.
6.2 Acquisition requirements. Acquisition documents must specify the following:

a. Title, number, and date of the specification, the applicable specification sheet, and the complete PIN (see 1.2.1).
b. Packaging requirements (see 5.1).
c. Allowable substitution (see 3.25.4 and 3.25.5).
d. Lead length: Specify 1.00 +.625, -0.000 inch for tape and reel packaging. If not specified, 1.5 ± 0.125 inch lead length will be supplied.

6.3 Qualification. With respect to products requiring qualification, awards will be made only for products which are, at the time of award of contract, qualified for inclusion in Qualified Products List Number 39010 whether or not such products have actually been so listed by that date. The attention of the contractors is called to these requirements, and manufacturers are urged to arrange to have the products that they propose to offer to the Federal Government tested for qualification in order that they may be eligible to be awarded contracts or orders for the products covered by this specification. The activity responsible for the Qualified Products List is the US Army Communications-Electronics RDEC, ATTN: AMSRD-CER-PR-D, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Bldg. 6010 K-130, C2/CNT East, MD 21005, however, information pertaining to qualification of products may be obtained from the DLA Land and Maritime, ATTN: VQP, P.O. Box 3990, Columbus, OH 43218-3990. An online listing of products qualified to this specification may be found in the Qualified Products Database (QPD) at https://assist.dla.mil.

6.4 Flammability (self-extinguishing material). Material may be considered self-extinguishing if the following conditions are met:

a. The duration of visible flame does not exceed 3 minutes after removal of the applied flame.
b. There is no explosion, nor any violent burning which results in an explosive type flame.
c. There is no dripping of flaming material from the coil under test.

6.5 Final electrical characteristics. The degradation limits specified for the final electrical characteristics should remain the same for tighter inductance tolerances.

6.6 Tin whisker growth. The use of alloys with tin content greater than 97 percent, by mass, may exhibit tin whisker growth problems after manufacture. Tin whiskers may occur anytime from a day to years after manufacture and can develop under typical operating conditions, on products that use such materials. Conformal coatings applied over top of a whisker-prone surface will not prevent the formation of tin whiskers. Alloys of 3 percent lead, by mass, have shown to inhibit the growth of tin whiskers. For additional information on this matter, refer to ASTM-B-545 (Standard Specification for Electrodeposited Coatings of Tin).

6.7 Subject term (key word) listing.
Effective inductance
Percent coupling
Self-Resonant Frequency

6.8 Environmentally preferable material. Environmentally preferable materials should be used to the maximum extent possible to meet the requirements of this specification. As of the dating of this document, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is focusing efforts on reducing 31 priority chemicals. The list of chemicals and additional information is available on their website https://www.epa.gov/osw/hazard/wastemin/priority.htm. Use of these materials should be minimized or eliminated unless needed to meet the requirements specified herein.

6.9 Amendment notations. The margins of this specification are marked with vertical lines to indicate modifications generated by this amendment. This was done as a convenience only and the Government assumes no liability whatsoever for any inaccuracies in these notations. Bidders and contractors are cautioned to evaluate the requirements of this document based on the entire content irrespective of the marginal notations.
APPENDIX A
PROCEDURE FOR QUALIFICATION INSPECTION

A.1 SCOPE

A.1.1 Scope. This appendix details the procedure for submission of samples for qualification inspection of coils covered by this specification. The procedure for extending qualification of the required sample to other coils covered by this specification is also outlined herein. This appendix is a mandatory part of the specification. The information contained herein is intended for compliance.

A.2 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS. This section is not applicable to this appendix.

A.3 SUBMISSION

A.3.1 Sample.

A.3.1.1 Single-type submission. A sample consisting of 152 sample units of each core material, class, and individual inductance value for which qualification is sought shall be submitted. Ten additional sample units shall be submitted for the fungus test if certification is not provided.

A.3.1.2 Combined-type submission. A sample consisting of 152 sample units for each class covered by a single specification sheet for which qualification is sought shall be submitted. All sample units except group III units shall be submitted to the tests of group IA and group IB. Twenty sample units, ten of the lowest inductance value and ten of the highest inductance value, shall be submitted to the tests of group II. Ten sample units of any inductance value shall be submitted to the tests of group III as specified in table VI. Twenty sample units, ten of the lowest inductance value and ten of the highest inductance value shall be submitted to the tests of group VI. One hundred and two sample units, 51 of the lowest inductance value and 51 of the highest inductance value shall be submitted to the test of group VI. Ten additional sample units of any inductance value shall be submitted for the fungus test if certification is not provided.

A.3.2 Qualification to tighter inductance tolerances. Twenty sample units shall be tested (ten of the lowest inductance value and ten of the highest inductance value of the specified inductance tolerance) for each class covered by a single specification sheet. They shall be submitted to the tests of group IA and visual and mechanical inspection of group IB of table VI.

A.4 EXTENT OF QUALIFICATION

A.4.1 Single-type. Qualification shall be restricted to the single PIN submitted.

A.4.2 Combined-type submission. Qualification shall be restricted to all of the inductance values covered on a single specification sheet between the values passing qualification inspection.
Custodians:
   Army - CR
   Navy - EC
   Air Force - 85
   DLA-CC

Preparation activities:
   Army - CR

Agent:
   DLA - CC

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Review activities:
   Army - AR, CR4, MI
   Navy - AS, CG, MC, OS,
   Air Force - 19, 99
   NASA - NA
   Other - MDA