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Approval Standard for Bench, Swab, Plunger and Dispenser Cans

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Foreword

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- b) must be readily identifiable.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose

- 1.1.1 This standard states Approval requirements for bench, swab, plunger and dispenser cans that are used for cleaning parts with ignitable liquids or dispensing small quantities of ignitable liquids.
- 1.1.2 Approval criteria may include, but are not limited to, performance requirements, marking requirements, examination of manufacturing facility(ies), audit of quality assurance procedures, and a Surveillance Audit program.

1.2 Scope

- 1.2.1 This standard applies to bench, swab, plunger, and dispenser cans with the following specifications:
- Maximum 5.0 gallon (18.9 ℓ) rated capacity;
 - constructed of non-combustible materials with a minimum melting point of 1000°F (536 C);
 - contain flame arrestors which are automatically maintained above the fluid level, unless equipped with valves to automatically close openings to vapor space when not in use; the flame arrestor may be incorporated with other functions but must not restrict its flame arresting ability;
 - constructed of materials which are impervious to the liquids contained.

1.3 Basis for Requirements

- 1.3.1 The requirements of this standard are based on experience, research and testing, and/or the standards of other organizations.
- 1.3.2 The requirements of this standard reflect tests and practices used to examine characteristics of bench, swab, plunger, and dispenser cans for the purpose of obtaining Approval. Bench, swab, plunger, and dispenser cans having characteristics not anticipated by this standard may be FM Approved if performance equal, or superior, to that required by this standard is demonstrated, or if the intent of the standard is met. Alternatively, bench, swab, plunger, and dispenser cans which meet all of the requirements identified in this standard may not be FM Approved if other conditions which adversely affect performance exist or if the intent of this standard is not met.

1.4 Basis for Approval

Approval is based upon satisfactory evaluation of the product and the manufacturer in the following major areas:

- 1.4.1 Examination and tests on production samples shall be performed to evaluate
- the suitability of the product;
 - the performance of the product as specified by the manufacturer and required by FM Approvals; and as far as practical,
 - the durability and reliability of the product.
- 1.4.2 An examination of the manufacturing facilities and audit of quality control procedures is made to evaluate the manufacturer's ability to consistently produce the product which is examined and