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## Standard Specification for o-Xylene 950<sup>1</sup>

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### 1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers a grade of *o*-xylene identified as "ortho-Xylene 950."

1.2 Consult latest OSHA regulations and supplier's Material Safety Data Sheets on handling materials listed in this specification.

### 2. Referenced Documents

#### 2.1 ASTM Standards:

D 847 Test Method for Acidity of Benzene, Toluene, Xylenes, Solvent Naphthas, and Similar Industrial Aromatic Hydrocarbons<sup>2</sup>

D 850 Test Method for Distillation of Industrial Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Related Materials<sup>2</sup>

D 1209 Test Method for Color of Clear Liquids (Platinum-Cobalt Scale)<sup>2</sup>

D 1353 Test Method for Nonvolatile Matter in Volatile Solvents for Use in Paint, Varnish, Lacquer, and Related Products<sup>2</sup>

D 1555 Method for Calculation of Volume and Weight of Industrial Aromatic Hydrocarbons<sup>2</sup>

D 2935 Test Method for Apparent Density of Industrial Aromatic Hydrocarbons<sup>2</sup>

D 3437 Practice for Sampling and Handling Liquid Cyclic Products<sup>2</sup>

D 3505 Test Method for Density or Relative Density of Pure Liquid Chemicals<sup>2</sup>

D 3797 Test Method for Analysis of *o*-Xylene by Gas Chromatography<sup>2</sup>

D 3961 Test Method for Trace Quantities of Sulfur in Liquid Aromatic Hydrocarbons by Oxidative Microcoulometry<sup>2</sup>

D 4052 Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter<sup>3</sup>

#### 2.2 Other Document:

OSHA Regulations, 29 CFR, paragraphs 1910.1000 and 1910.1200<sup>4</sup>

### 3. Properties

3.1 *o*-Xylene 950 shall conform to the following requirements:

Property	Specification	ASTM Test Method
Purity, min, weight %	95.0	D 3797
C <sub>9</sub> Aromatic hydrocarbons, max, weight %	1.5	D 3797
Nonvolatile matter, max, mg/100 mL	5	D 1353
Sulfur, max, mg/kg	5	D 3961
Acidity	none detected	D 847
Color, max, Pt/Co scale	20	D 1209
Total distillation range including the temperature (44.4°C at 760 mm Hg (101.3 kPa) pressure, °C	not more than 2.0°C	D 850

NOTE—Relative density (specific gravity) in vacuum can be determined using Test Methods D 3505 and D 4052. Apparent density in air can be determined using Test Method D 2935. When converting weight to volume or vice versa, Test Method D 1555 shall be employed.

### 4. Sampling

4.1 The material shall be sampled in accordance with Practice D 3437.

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