



Standard Specification for Gypsum Veneer Plaster¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers calcined gypsum mixed at the mill with other ingredients to control working quality and setting time; specifically designed as a veneer plaster to be applied over gypsum base for veneer plasters, masonry or concrete surfaces to a maximum thickness of 1/4 in. (6.4 mm) providing a surface ready for decoration.

NOTE 1—Specification C843 contains application procedures for gypsum veneer plaster.

1.2 This specification covers test methods for determining the physical properties of gypsum veneer plasters and sets forth minimum requirements that must be met.

1.3 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.4 The text of this standard references notes and footnotes which provide explanatory material. These notes and footnotes shall not be considered as requirements of the standard.

1.5 The following safety hazards caveat applies only to the Test Methods portion, Section 5 of this specification: *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

C11 Terminology Relating to Gypsum and Related Building Materials and Systems

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

C473 Test Methods for Physical Testing of Gypsum Panel Products

C843 Specification for Application of Gypsum Veneer Plaster

C1396/C1396M Specification for Gypsum Board

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*:

3.1.1 Definitions of terms shall be in accordance with Terminology C11 and Specification C843.

3.2 *Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard*:

3.2.1 *gypsum veneer plaster systems, n*—veneer plaster applied in accordance with Specification C843 to gypsum base for veneer plasters.

4. Physical Properties

4.1 *Joint Strength*—Gypsum veneer plaster systems applied in accordance with Specification C843 shall be tested in accordance with 5.9. The breaking load shall be not less than the parallel to surfacing loads specified in Specification C1396/C1396M.

4.2 *Bond Strength*—The bond strength of the gypsum veneer plaster to the gypsum veneer base and, where applicable, between the base coat plaster and the finish coat shall not delaminate when tested in accordance with 5.6.

4.3 *Impact Strength*—Gypsum veneer plaster systems shall not crack or lose bond beyond the impact area when tested in accordance with 5.7.

4.4 *Flexure*—Gypsum veneer plaster systems shall exhibit crack resistance within the field of the gypsum base for veneer plasters such that radial or random cracking shall extend not more than 1/2 in. (13 mm) from the break line at failure when tested in accordance with 5.8. At rupture of the panel the veneer plaster shall be securely bonded to the face paper.

5. Test Methods

5.1 *Materials*—Gypsum Base for Veneer Plaster, see Specification C1396/C1396M.

5.2 *Sampling*—Sample not less than 1 % of the packages, but not less than 5 packages. Select packages to be sampled at random. Take samples both from the outer portion and the

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard