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ASTM consensus has not been obtained on this information letter. An appropriate ASTM ballot will be issued in order to achieve such consensus.

TO: D4485 Mailing List

SUBJECT: Update API Category CI-4 Requirements

On May 28, 2020, the D4485 Surveillance Panel approved updates to the API Category CI-4 requirements in ASTM Specification D4485, to bring it in line with the most recent edition of API 1509.

The text of the revisions is shown in the attachment. These changes are effective with the issuance of this information letter.

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Attachment

c: http://www.astmtmc.cmu.edu/ftp/docs/d4485/IL_20-4_D4485.pdf

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Revises D4485-19

[All changes are highlighted in yellow.]

TABLE 3 Diesel Engine Oil Category CI-4

| Required Test Method | Engine Test Method | Rated or Measured Parameter | Primary Performance Criteria | | | |
|--|---|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|
| | | | One-test | Two-test ^A | Three-test ^A | |
| 1R (D6923) or 1P (D6681) | D6923 | Weighted demerits (WDR), max | 382 | 396 | 402 | |
| | | Top groove carbon (TGC), demerits, max | 52 | 57 | 59 | |
| | | Top land carbon (TLC), demerits, max | 31 | 35 | 36 | |
| | | Initial oil consumption (IOC), (0 h – 252 h), g/h, average | 13.1 | 13.1 | 13.1 | |
| | | Final oil consumption,(432 h – 504 h), g/h, average, max | IOC + 1.8 | IOC + 1.8 | IOC + 1.8 | |
| | | Piston, ring, and liner distress | none | none | none | |
| | | Ring sticking | none | none | none | |
| | D6681 | Weighted demerits (WDP), max | 350 | 378 | 390 | |
| | | Top groove carbon (TGC), demerits, max | 36 | 39 | 41 | |
| | | Top land carbon (TLC), demerits, max | 40 | 46 | 49 | |
| | | Average oil consumption, g/h (0 h – 360 h), max | 12.4 | 12.4 | 12.4 | |
| | | Final oil consumption, g/h (312 h – 360 h), max | 14.6 | 14.6 | 14.6 | |
| | | Piston, ring, and liner scuffing | none | none | none | |
| | T-10 (D6987/D6987M) or T-12 (D7422) | D6987/D6987M | Merit rating, ^A min | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 |
| D7422 | | Merit rating, ^A min | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | |
| M11 EGR (D6975) or ISM (D7468) | D6975 | Average crosshead mass. loss, mg, max | 20.0 | 21.8 | 22.6 | |
| | | Average top ring mass loss, mg | report | report | report | |
| | | Oil filter differential pressure at 250 h, kPa, max | 275 | 320 | 341 | |
| | | Average engine sludge, CRC merits at EOT, min | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.5 | |
| | D7468 | Crosshead wear, mg, max | 7.5 | 7.8 | 7.9 | |
| | | Oil filter Δ pressure at 150 h, kPa, max | 55 | 67 | 74 | |
| | | Sludge rating, CRC Merits, min | 8.1 | 8.0 | 8.0 | |
| Ext. T-8E (D5967) ^B | D5967 | Relative viscosity at 4.8 % soot ^C | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.0 | |
| Sequence IIIF (D6984) ^P or Sequence IIIG (D7320) ^F or Sequence IIH (D8111) or Sequence IIH70 (D8111 using Appendix X5) | D6984 | Kinematic viscosity (at 40 °C), percent increase, max | 275 | 275 (MTAC) | 275 (MTAC) | |
| | D7320 | Kinematic viscosity, percent increase at 40 °C max | 150 | 150 (MTAC) | 150 (MTAC) | |
| | D8111 | 60 – 80 h ^F Kinematic viscosity, % increase at 40 °C max | 370 | 370 (MTAC) | 370 (MTAC) | |
| | D8111 (Using IIH70 Appendix X5 guideline) | 70 h Kinematic viscosity, % increase at 40°C max | 181 | 181(MTAC) | 181 (MTAC) | |
| 1K (D6750) ^E | D6750 | Weighted demerits (WDK), max | 332 | 347 | 353 | |
| | | Top groove fill (TGF), %, max | 24 | 27 | 29 | |
| | | Top land heavy carbon (TLHC), %, max | 4 | 5 | 5 | |
| | | Average oil consumption | g/kWh (0 h – 252 h), max | 0.54 | 0.54 | 0.54 |
| | | | g/MJ (0 h – 252 h), max | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.15 |
| | | Piston, ring, and liner scuffing | none | none | none | |
| RFWT (D5966) | D5966 | Average pin wear | | | | |
| | | | mils, max | 0.30 | 0.33 | 0.36 |
| | | | μm, max | 7.6 | 8.4 | 9.1 |
| EOAT (D6894) ^H | D6894 | Aeration, volume percent, max | 8.0 | 8.0 (MTAC) ^I | 8.0 (MTAC) ^I | |

TABLE 3 Diesel Engine Oil Category CI-4 (cont.)

| CI-4 Bench Tests | Measured Parameter | Primary Performance Criteria | | |
|--|--|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| D4683 (High temperature/High shear) or D4741 or D5481 ^J | Viscosity after shear, ^K min | 3.5 mPa-s | | |
| MRV-TP-1 (D4684) | The following limits are applied to SAE viscosity grades 0W, 5W, 10W, and 15W: Viscosity of 75 h used oil sample from T-10 test (or T-10A ^L test), or 100 h used oil sample from T-12 test (or T-12A ^M test, tested at -20 °C, mPa-s, max | 25 000 | | |
| | If yield stress is detected, use modified D4684 ^N (external preheat), then mPa-s, max | 25 000 | | |
| | and yield stress, Pa | <35 | | |
| Noack (D5800) | Evaporative loss at 250 °C, %, max | 15 | | |
| HTCBT 135 °C (D6594) | Used Oil Elemental Concentration | | | |
| | Copper, mg/kg increase, max | 20 | | |
| | Lead, mg/kg increase, max | 120 | | |
| | Tin, mg/kg increase | report | | |
| | Copper strip rating, ^O max | 3 | | |
| D6278 | Kinematic viscosity after shearing mm ² /s at 100 °C, min | SAE XW-30 | SAE XW-40 | |
| | | 9.3 | 12.5 | |
| D892 (Option A not allowed) | Foaming/settling, ^P mL, max | | | |
| | Sequence I | 10/0 | | |
| | Sequence II | 20/0 | | |
| | Sequence III | 10/0 | | |
| D7216 (Elastomer Compatibility) | | | | |
| Note—These are the <i>unadjusted specification limits</i> for elastomer compatibility. Candidate oils shall, however, conform to the <i>adjusted specification limits</i> , the calculation of which is described in Annex A4 . | | | | |
| Elastomer | Volume Change, % | Hardness Change, Points | Tensile Strength Change, % | Elongation at Break Change, % |
| Nitrile (NBR) | (+5, -3) | (+7, -5) | (+10, -TMC 1006) | (+10, -TMC 1006) |
| Silicone (VMQ) | (+TMC 1006, -3) | (+5, -TMC 1006) | (+10, -45) | (+20, -30) |
| Polyacrylate (ACM) | (+5, -3) | (+8, -5) | (+18, -15) | (+10, -35) |
| Fluoroelastomer (FKM) | (+5, -2) | (+7, -5) | (+10, -TMC 1006) | (+10, -TMC 1006) |
| Note—TMC 1006 is the designation for the reference oil used in this test method. This designation represents the original blend or subsequent approved re-blends of TMC 1006. | | | | |

[Table 3 Footnotes]

- ^A See Annex A3 for additional information.
- ^B A passing T-11 (TGA % soot at 12.0 mm²/s increase, at 100 °C, min)—6.00 (first test), 5.89 (second test), and 5.85 (third test)—can be used in place of a T-8E in the applicable categories. This is not intended to indicate equivalence.
- ^C Relative Viscosity (RV) = viscosity at 4.8 % soot/viscosity of new oil sheared in Test Method D6278.
- ^D Refer to RR:D02-1391.
- ^E The Sequence IIIG limits shown are more restrictive than the corresponding limits in Sequence IIIF, and are not intended to indicate equivalence. Results meeting the Sequence IIIG criteria stated can be used in lieu of Sequence IIIF.
- ^F 60 – 80 h value is interpolated according to the equation
$$PVIS@(60 - 80)h = \left(\frac{\sqrt{PVIS@60h} + \sqrt{PVIS@80h}}{2} \right)^2$$
, where PVIS@60 h is percent viscosity increase at 60 h and PVIS@80 h is percent viscosity increase at 80 h.
- ^G Refer to RR:D02-1273. Alternatively, Test Method D6750 (1N) can be used; if this test method is used, the measured parameters and primary performance criteria are the same as those shown for Test Method D6750 (1N) in the CJ-4 category.
- ^H Refer to RR:D02-1379.
- ^I See Annex A1; use method without transformations.
- ^J Tests as allowed in SAE J300.
- ^K Noncritical specification as defined by Practice D3244; may be superseded only by applicable higher limits set by SAE J300.
- ^L The T-10A test is the name given to a T-10 test run for 75 h to generate the sample for measurement by Test Method D4684.
- ^M The T-12A test is the name given to a T-12 test run for 100 h to generate the sample for measurement by Test Method D4684.
- ^N Refer to RR:D02-1517.
- ^O The rating system in Test Method D130 is used to rate the copper coupon in Test Method D6594.
- ^P Ten minutes for Sequence I, II, and III.