



Certification of Physical Properties
Florida Tile Quality Assurance Department

Abrasion Resistance

Series: Taconic Slate	Glaze Finish: Glazed
Color - Sizes: 25106 - 6x6, 12x12, 18x18	ANSI Tile Type: Porcelain Floor Tile
Reported by: John Heckman	Report Date: August 13, 2009

Procedure: ASTM C1027

Description: Tiles are placed on an ASTM compliant abrasion tester and abraded by the rotation of an abrasive media acting on the tiles.

Classification:

Revolutions to Visible Abrasion	Class	Classification
100	0	Not recommended for floors
150	1	Light Residential
600	2	Residential
750 or 1500	3	Heavy Residential/Lt Commercial
2100, 6000, or 12000	4	Commercial
12000+ and stain test	5	Heavy Commercial

Results:

Revolutions	Class	Classification
1500	3	Heavy Residential/Lt Commercial

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Breaking Strength

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Procedure: ASTM C648

Description: Tiles are placed on a standard breaking strength machine and stressed until broken. The maximum force achieved before breaking is the strength of the sample. Reported value is the average of 10 pieces.

Requirement: ANSI standards require a minimum breaking strength for tile of this type to be equal or greater than 250 lbs

Results:

Average:	450 lbs	Pass
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Moh's Hardness

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Procedure: EN 101

Description: Tiles are tested by moving a mineral tipped stylus across the surface and looking for a scratch to be produced during 4 test cycles. The scale is calibrated using increasingly more dense minerals.

Classification:

Moh's Scale	Mineral
5	Apatite
5.5	Opal
6	Turquoise
6.5	Jade
7	Quartz
7.5	Emerald
8	Topaz
8.5	Alexandrite
9	Ruby
10	Diamond

Results:

Moh's Scale	Mineral
7	Quartz

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Water Absorption

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Procedure: ASTM C373

Description: Dried samples are boiled for 5 hours, then allowed to sit for 24 hours in distilled water. The percent water absorption is calculated by the difference in weight between the wet tile and the dry tile.

Classification:

Scale	Classification
≤0.5%	Porcelain
0.5% - 3.0%	Vitreous
3.0% - 7.0%	Semi-Vitreous
7.0% - 20.0%	Non-Vitreous

Results:

Result	Classification
≤0.5%	Porcelain

Third Party Certification: This product is Certified Porcelain by the Porcelain Tile Certification Agency



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Static Coefficient of Friction

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Procedure: ASTM C1028

Description: Tiles are tested wet and dry. A neolite 'heel' is weighted with a 50 lb weight and force is applied until assembly begins to move. The peak force is recorded and the coefficient of friction is calculated versus a standard tile. Reported averages are from three separate test samples from the same lot

Results:

Wet Average	0.6
Dry Average	0.8

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Percentage of Recycled Content

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Reported by: John Heckman	Report Date: December 8, 2010

Procedure: Calculated per LEED for New Construction and Major Renovations Rating System, April 2009

Description: The amount of pre- and post-consumer waste is calculated based on a percentage of the body by weight

<u>Results:</u>	Pre-consumer RMC	42.00%
	Post-consumer RMC	0%

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Bond Strength

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Procedure: ASTM C482

Description: Tiles are bonded with a standard mortar to a standard cement block.
Force is applied to the tile until the bond fails. Results are average force required for failure for 5 pieces.

Requirement: ANSI standards require a minimum bond strength for tile of this type to be equal to or greater than 50 PSI

Results:

Average:	377 PSI	Pass
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