

# **Product Definition for SPECULAR**<sup>™</sup>

# Description

*Specular* special-effect colorants are color-coated natural mica in a carefully controlled process. The standard colors; black, blue, green, or red are just the beginning. These products can be color matched to satisfy even the most difficult standards. Most grades are FDA-compliant, Ref.: 21 CFR175.300. And 21 CFR 178.3297

*Specular* products are used where food contact or FDA compliance is required. They are available in the standard range of colors but can also be color matched to your particular requirements.

Specular micas are ideal for many applications, including:

| - | Cements |
|---|---------|
| - | Paints  |

- Epoxy/Resins - Coatings

## **Color Range**

| Black   | Blue  | Brown | Green        | Red   | White |
|---|---|-------|--------------|---|-------|
| Typical Properties (Non Specified)  |   |       |              |   |       |
| Chemical Analy  | /sis  |       | Percenta     | age by Weig   | ght   |
| Silicon<br>Aluminum<br>Potassium<br>Iron<br>Sodium<br>Magnesium<br>Titanium | as SiO <sub>2</sub><br>as AI <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub><br>as K <sub>2</sub> O<br>as Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub><br>as Na <sub>2</sub> O<br>as MgO<br>as TiO <sub>2</sub> |       | 30<br>9<br>2 | 5 - 50<br>) - 35<br>) - 11<br>2 - 5<br><1<br>1 -2<br><1 |       |
| Specified Prop  | erties -  |       |              |   |       |
| Specific Gravity  |   |       | 2.6 -        | - 2.8   |       |
| Tinting Strength  |   |       | Pass         | or Fail   |       |
| Color   |   |       | Pass         | or Fail   |       |

# **Specified Particle Size by Sieving**

### 175 Grade

| Mesh No. | Cumulative % Retained |
|----------|-----------------------|
| + 60     | 0 max                 |
| + 120    | 60 - 100              |
| - 120    | 40 max                |

#### 325 Grade

| Mesh No. | Cumulative % Retained |
|----------|-----------------------|
| + 50     | 31                    |
| - 50+70  | 38                    |
| - 70+80  | 14                    |
| -80      | 17                    |

#### 650 Grade

| Mesh No. | Cumulative % Retained |
|----------|-----------------------|
| + 20     | 10 max                |
| + 50     | 85 - 100              |
| - 60     | 5 max                 |

### 1500 Grade

| Mesh No. | Cumulative % Retained |
|----------|-----------------------|
| + 6      | 10 max                |
| + 18     | 15 - 80               |
| - 20     | 20 max                |

#### 3000 Grade

| Mesh No. | Cumulative % Retained |
|----------|-----------------------|
| + 6      | 10 max                |
| + 12     | 80 - 90               |
| - 20     | 5 max                 |

### 5000 Grade

| Mesh No. | Cumulative % Retained |
|----------|-----------------------|
| + 6      | 30 – 50               |
| + 12     | 50 - 65               |
| - 20     | 5 max                 |

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