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P-18 +4 GLASS BEAD MARKING SPHERES

1.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The beads shall be clear, smooth and spherically shaped and shall conform to the following specific requirements.

1.1 *Gradation* – The **P-18 +4** glass beads shall meet the gradation requirements as given below and shall be tested in accordance to ASTM D1214 and AASHTO PP-74-13.

US Sieve No.	Microns	Mass % Retained	Mass % Passing
16	1180	0-10	90-100
18	1000	20-35	65-80
30	600	50-70	30-50
50	300	95-100	0-5

- **1.2** *Roundness* **P-18 +4** safety spheres shall be at least 80% round by Computerized Optical Method (AASHTO PP-74-13) or approved equivalent in accordance with AASHTO T346-13 Section 6.
- 1.3 Refractive Index The P-18 +4 glass beads shall have a refractive index of 1.50 to 1.55.
- **1.4** *Coating* The **P-18 +4** can be ordered with coatings to meet or exceed each state or paint manufacturer specification, typically an Adherence Enhancing or Dual Coating.

2.0 APPLICATION SPECIFICATIONS

P-18 +4 Glass Bead Drop rates in Ibs./100 sq. foot				
System	High build Waterborne	Ероху	Thermoplastic	
Single Drop	10-12	10-12	10-12	
Double Drop with	8-10	8-10	6-8	
M247 Type 1	8	8	8	

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