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Test order	Determination of the fire code rating (BKZ) according to the directive for fire police prescriptions, building materials and components, part B Test specifications 1988 edition (with supplements).
Customer	Alcantara s.p.a., IT – 05035 Nera Montoro
Sampling	by customer
Test object	1. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701) 2. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed material (Batch number: 2507701)
Contact person	Ambra Pollini
Your order from	16 November 2021
Receipt of the test object	17 November 2021
Execution of the test	24 November 2021 till 7 December 2021
Number of pages	9
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1. Test object

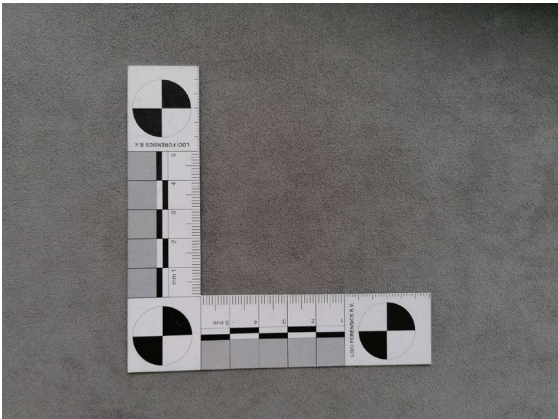
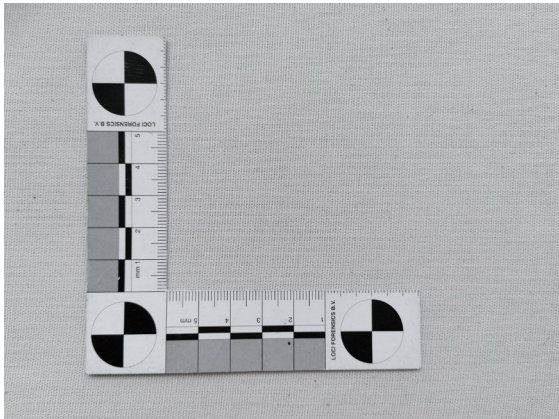
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Declared according to order form		Additional information
Test object	Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701)	
Intended use	Seats	/
Material composition (%)	68% PET, 32% PU	/
Coating	Laminated with textile cotton 100%	
Thickness (mm)	≥ 0.95	
Mass per unit area (g/m ²) ¹	530 ± 70	Informative measurement: 556
Color	Grey 5810	/
Sample size received	(300 x 142) cm	
Test condition	as delivered, without pretreatment	
Subcontractors	non-existent	
Empa labeling	no 1	

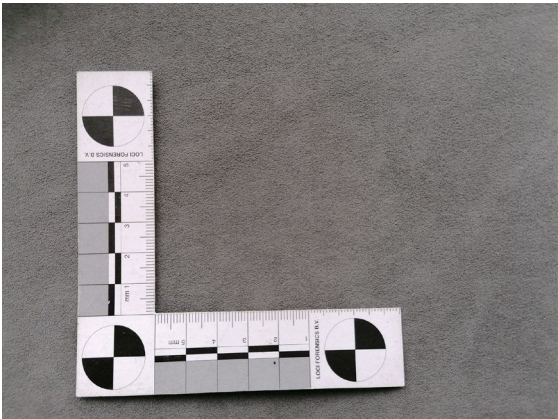
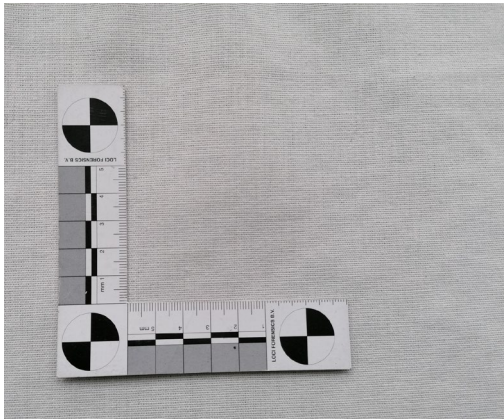
Fabric 2		
Declared according to order form		Additional information
Test object	Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed material (Batch number: 2507701)	
Intended use	Seats	/
Material composition (%)	68% PET, 32% PU	/
Coating	Laminated with textile cotton 100%	
Thickness (mm)	≥ 0.95	
Mass per unit area (g/m ²) ²	530 ± 70	Informative measurement: 524
Color	Grey 5810	/
Sample size received	(300 x 142) cm	
Test condition	as delivered and after pretreatment (6x 40°C, intermediate drying, line dry)	
Subcontractors	Swissatest Testmaterialien AG, CH – 9015 St. Gallen / pretreatment	
Empa labeling	no 2	

¹ mass equals balance reading (without buoyancy correction)

² mass equals balance reading (without buoyancy correction)

2. Image/s

1. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701)	
Outside	Inside
	
Image in millimeters	

2. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed material (Batch number: 2507701)	
Outside	Inside
	
Image in millimeters	

3. Performed tests

- 4.1
- Determination of the burning and smouldering behaviour of textiles; vertical edge ignition
Guideline VKF: Flammability of textiles according SN 198898:1987[de]
(Withdrawn 1999-07-01)
- 4.2
- Determination of the smoke density test according to VKF

4. Test methods

4.1 Flammability of textiles according SN 198898:1987[de]

The acclimatized samples are suspended vertically in a combustion box and brought into contact with a propane gas flame from a burner positioned at 30° to the vertical for 3s and 15s at the lower edge.

In the case of samples that do not ignite by the flame, the destroyed distance and the glow time are determined, and in case of samples that extinguish after flame exposure within the measuring distance, the destroyed distance, the burning time and the glow time are determined. In addition, it is also determined whether the height of the flame peak is reached. It is recorded whether the samples melt or there is dripping debris. In the case of dripping, it is also assessed whether the dripping is burning and the blotting paper is ignited.

4.1.1 Test conditions

Apparatus	Ahiba Type FTG 70/A1 - Fab 72188
Marking thread	Cotton, raw 50/3 dtex
Gas	Propane, Calorific value approx. 46 MJ/kg; (40 ± 2) mm flame length,
Air flow	(0.1 to 0.2) m/s
Test climate	19.3°C / 30.0% RH (original state) 20.7°C / 20.8% RH (washed)
Sample acclimatization	≥ 24 h at (20 ± 2) °C / (65 ± 4) % RH
Number of samples	20 (10 in longitudinal, and 10 in transverse direction)
Size of the samples	(105 x 450)mm
Attachment weight	350g

4.1.2 Deviation/s from the standard

1. The test object "Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701)" was not pre-treated before the test.
2. The test object " Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed material (Batch number: 2507701)" was pre-treated before the test.

4.2 Determination of the smoke density test according to VKF

A defined test specimen is exposed in a standardized test apparatus with a defined air flow rate and a defined flame exposure until it burns off. The maximum of the obscuration (light absorption) produced by the smoke is measured by photometry.

The smoke density is determined with three tests. Should the results not agree, up to six tests will be conducted and the maximum and minimum values excluded; the average of the four remaining results is decisive for the classification.

4.2.1 Test conditions

Apparatus	Smoke intensity tester (Qualmintensitäts-Tester) QIT No. 26
Gas	Propane; pressure approx. 0.5 bar
Flame height	150 mm
Air influx	(6.0 bis 6.5) l/s
Sample acclimatization	≥ 24 h at (20 ± 2) °C / (65 ± 4) % RH
Number of samples	3 (up to 6)
Size of the samples	(30 x 30) mm at 2g
Sample holder	grating

4.2.2 Deviation/s from the standard

1. 2g, instead of the thickness of 4mm ± 10 % tolerance.
2. Sample "Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701)" without pretreatment, cleaning treatment not tested
3. Sample "Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed material (Batch number: 2507701)" with pretreatment,

5. Requirements according VKF

5.1 Flammability of textiles according SN 198898:1987[de]

Flammability grade 5 is achieved when 18 of the 20 Samples meet all requirements.

Classification	Requirements	
Flammability grade 5	Peak of flame	≤ 400 mm
	Afterflame time	< 5 s
	Afterglow time	≤ 5 min
	Damaged length	≤ 150 mm

Table 1: Requirements according VKF for achieving the flammability grade 5

5.2 Determination of the smoke density test according to VKF

The decisive criterion for classification is light absorption

Classification	Requirements	
Smoke density level 1	Maximum light absorption	$> 90\%$
Smoke density level 2	Maximum light absorption	$> 50 - 90\%$
Smoke density level 3	Maximum light absorption	$0 - 50\%$

Table 2: Requirements according VKF for classification of the smoke density test

6. Result/s

6.1 Flammability of textiles according SN 198898:1987[de]

1. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701)							
Empa No.	Afterflame time [s]	Afterglow time [s]	Damaged length [mm]	Peak of flame [>400mm]	Melt and / or drop off	Burning droplets	Ignition blotting paper
Longitudinal: Ignition time 3 s							
1	1	-	13	No	-	-	-
2	1	-	14	No	-	-	-
3	1	-	11	No	-	-	-
4	1	-	12	No	-	-	-
5	1	-	14	No	-	-	-
Longitudinal: Ignition time 15 s							
1	2	3	91	No	-	-	-
2	5	3	78	No	-	-	-
3	2	2	84	No	-	-	-
4	0	2	81	No	-	-	-
5	1	3	82	No	-	-	-
Transverse: Ignition time 3 s							
1	1	-	10	No	-	-	-
2	0	-	5	No	-	-	-
3	1	-	27	No	-	-	-
4	0	-	7	No	-	-	-
5	0	-	9	No	-	-	-
Transverse: Ignition time 15 s							
1	1	2	62	No	-	-	-
2	1	1	85	No	-	-	-
3	0	0	83	No	-	-	-
4	1	1	85	No	-	-	-
5	1	1	74	No	-	-	-

Table 3: Single results of the flammability of textiles according SN 198898:1987[de]. Measurement results that do not meet the requirements are marked yellow.

The test object >>Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701)<< fulfils the requirements for flammability grade 5 according to VKF.

2. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed material (Batch number: 2507701)							
Empa No.	Afterflame time [s]	Afterglow time [s]	Damaged length [mm]	Peak of flame [>400mm]	Melt and / or drop off	Burning droplets	Ignition blotting paper
Longitudinal: Ignition time 3 s							
1	1	-	11	No	-	-	-
2	1	-	16	No	-	-	-
3	1	-	7	No	-	-	-
4	1	-	15	No	-	-	-
5	1	-	8	No	-	-	-
Longitudinal: Ignition time 15 s							
1	3	9	101	No	-	-	-
2	1	15	112	No	-	-	-
3	1	17	113	No	-	-	-
4	1	27	110	No	-	-	-
5	1	27	118	No	-	-	-
Transverse: Ignition time 3 s							
1	1	-	10	No	-	-	-
2	1	-	11	No	-	-	-
3	1	-	13	No	-	-	-
4	1	-	10	No	-	-	-
5	1	-	11	No	-	-	-
Transverse: Ignition time 15 s							
1	1	32	97	No	-	-	-
2	1	32	95	No	-	-	-
3	1	27	88	No	-	-	-
4	2	30	96	No	-	-	-
5	2	22	99	No	-	-	-

Table 4: Single results of the flammability of textiles according SN 198898:1987[de]. Measurement results that do not meet the requirements are marked yellow.

The test object >>Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed material (Batch number: 2507701)<< fulfils the requirements for flammability grade 5 according to VKF.

6.2 Smoke density test according to VKF

1. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Original state (Batch number: 2507701)					
	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4	Average
Maximum Light absorption (%)	15	16	22	-	18

Table 5: Results of the smoke density test

Maximum light Absorption **18 %** $\triangleq$ Smoke density level 3 (light smoke density)

2. Alcantara Avant 5466 – Washed sample (Batch number: 2507701)					
	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4	Average
Maximum Light absorption (%)	15	21	19	-	18

Table 6: Results of the smoke density test

Maximum light Absorption **18 %** $\triangleq$ Smoke density level 3 (light smoke density)

7. Fire protection classification according to the directive for fire police prescriptions, building materials and building elements, part B (test conditions), edition 1988³

Fire protection classification: 5. 3

(Class 5.3 stands for "low combustible / slight smoke density")

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