Bead Test Instrument **Original Erichsen** Model 227

testing equipment for quality management



Practical testing procedure

For testing the quality of stamping paints and plastic coatings

BEAD TEST INSTRUMENT, Original ERICHSEN, Model 227

Purpose and Application

The Bead Test Instrument, Model 227, enables the quantitative assessment of the technological properties of stamping paints and plastic coatings on cylindrical standard cups. The instrument was designed to produce stresses comparable to those which occur in practice and is particularly suited for use in the development of high-quality stamping paints.

Stamped-out metal containers, such as shoe cream tins, feature a bead rolled into the vertical wall of the container which serves to position the lid. It is a well-known fact that the stamping paint at the crest of this bead is most susceptible to cracking and peeling. This is due to the fact that the stamping paint in this area is subjected to a higher degree of deformation.

Test Principle

Standard cups (Erichsen stamping paint test pieces) are drawn from coated strip using the ERICHSEN Paint and Coating Test Machines, Models 204, 206 and 224/II. During the deep drawing process the stamping paint is subjected to stresses which are similar to those encountered under practical conditions.

The standard cup has an inner diameter of 33 mm and is drawn from a blank measuring 64 mm in diameter applying blank holding pressure. During the drawing process the stamping paint on the sheet is subjected to stressing and deformation which increases in severity towards the upper rim of the cup. The qualification of the stamping paint is easily detectable with the naked eye or with a magnifying glass, if necessary after conducting boiling tests.

The Bead Test Instrument, Model 227, is used to form a bead in the standard cup under defined deforming conditions. This bead is formed to a depth where the deformation limit, i.e. the deformation capability of the stamping paint, is reached. During the test a conducting fluid moistens the coated surface of the cup and penetrates even the finest cracks in the coating. Once the conducting fluid meets the metal surface of the cup an appropriate reading indicates the degree of cracking.

Since measurements with the bead drawing tools are acquired under standardised conditions, this testing method is reproducible and also provides readings which are suitable for direct comparison with each other. This is therefore a convenient means, e.g. for manufacturers and users to communicate the quality of a stamping paint in numerical terms.

Technical Data

Dimensions: Width approx. 300 mm

Height approx. 200 mm Depth approx. 400 mm

Net weight: approx. 40 kg Power supply: $230 \text{ V} \sim / 0.5 \text{ kW}$

Fuses: approx. 2 A

Motor rating: 250 VA / 2780 min⁻¹
Oil: HLP-68 (DIN 51 524)

Order Information	
Order No.	Product Name
0033.01.31	Bead Test Instrument, Model 227, incl. conducting fluid, without beading tool

Accessories	
Order No.	Product Name
	Beading tool, complete
0252.01.32	for sheet thicknesses from 0.2 - 0.5 mm
0252.02.32	for sheet thicknesses from 0.5 - 1.0 mm
	Beading tools to customers' specifications on request

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