

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES QUALITY ASSURANCE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FABRICS

To provide fabric to the American Textile Company, vendors must meet certain performance standards. These standards are the same used by our customers to approve our products. Verification must be done through the use of the standard methods listed and at an independent textile laboratory.

Test		Method	Specification
Thread Count		ASTM D3775	+5%/- 0% of declared TC ¹
Fabric Weight (oz./yd²)		ASTM D3776	+/- 5% of declared weight
Yarn Structure		ASTM D1059	As approved sample and specification
Dimensional Stability (3 home launderings – wash wa		AATCC 135, 150 MOD rm, tumble dry medium-	
Pilling Appearance		ASTM D 3512	Class 3.0 @ 30 minutes
Tear resistance		ASTM D 1424	3 lb.
Tensile Strength		ASTM D 5034	25lbs/in
Colorfa	stness To Laundering Shade Alteratio To Perspiration Shade Alteratio To Light	AATCC 15	Class 4.0 Class 4.0 Class 4.0 @ 20 hours
Crockin	g Dry/wet original Dry/wet after one wash (dark colors onl	AATCC 8 or 116 y)	Class 4/3 Class 4/3
Teflon	Initial-Water repellency Initial – Oil Repellency 15 Wash Cycles		5 initial, 4 after wash 5 initial, 3 after wash 70 (ISO 2) minimum 3
Weave Type: visual		Plain weave or as appro Specification.	oved sample and
Waterproof – 300 mbars		AATCC127	

¹ The specified Thread Count will be the target. Suppliers **cannot** routinely be up to 5% below the target and be considered acceptable.

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In addition to these performance standards, there are American Textile Company standards that must be met. These standards must be included in a specification sent to the ATC Quality Department (see "Fabric Submittals from Vendors").

The items shall include, but not be limited to:

Specification

ATC Requirement

•	Performance standards Number of splices/roll	See previous page 1/ roll max. Properly flagged and not less than 25 yards from end of roll.
•	Actual roll width	Tolerance + 0.25", (-) 0" of spec.
•	Cuttable width	Tolerance +/- 0.25"
•	Number of yards per roll	Minimum 100 yards.
•	Core size, including	•
	diameter and wall thickness	Minimum 2.5" (6.35 cm) ID and 3/8" (0.95 cm) thickness ⁽¹⁾
•	Core tags	Each roll. Info to assist tracking lots. Must include the Yards per roll, Purchase Order #, Vendor Lot # and Vendor Roll #
•	Blend percentage	+/- 3% of declared.
•	Yarn used	Type and gauge (spelled out in the Fabric Specification Sheet filled out by the vendor)
•	Colors	Standard swatches forwarded to ATC
•	Defect Tolerance	Provide ATC with Major/Minor defect Tolerances.
•	Roll Weight	225 pounds maximum

(1) Core dimensions must prevent crushing of the core in normal distribution and handling. The core can exceed the fabric width by 2" maximum. Fabric 90" and wider should use cores with a wall thickness of at least ½" (1.27 cm). Core plugs are recommended.

Penalties and Charges

1. Failures due to fabric not meeting specifications and subsequent charges from our customers may be charged back to the fabric supplier.

2. Additional laboratory testing due to a fabric failure may be charged back to the fabric supplier.

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