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Executive Summary

The colour change is tabulated below for all products tested after 1000 hours.

System	QUV Hours	dL*(D65)	da*(D65)	db*(D65)	dE*ab(D65)	Visual Comment
ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Tint	1000 Hrs	-0.15	0.03	0.37	0.4	No colour change Visually
ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey	1000 Hrs	-0.83	0	-0.06	0.83	No colour change Visually

The following conclusion is drawn from the results.

- ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey, ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey, tint had no visual change in colour or gloss.
- None of the samples experienced high levels of DFT loss.

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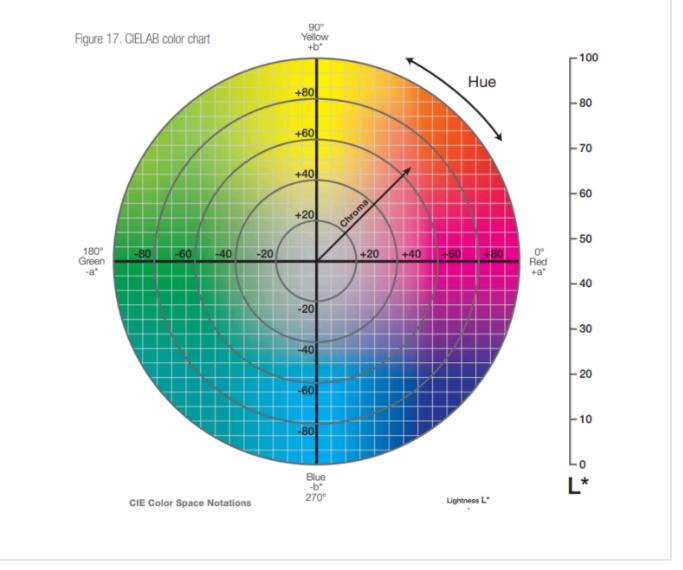
Introduction

This technical report assesses the colour change, gloss change, and DFT loss after 1000 hours of accelerated weathering to ASTM D154 Cycle 1. The list of test panels in the series is tabulated in panel preparation

Assessment

Colour

The colour will be assessed using a spectrophotometer (Konica Minolta - CM-36dG). A visual assessment of a colour change will support any colour data.

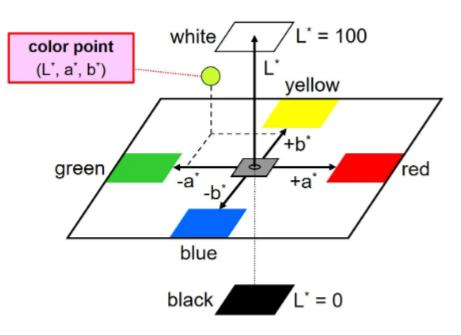


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CIELAB is a three-dimensional system that triangulates and precisely defines any colour point. The initial colours of all the samples are scanned to create the standard reference. The samples are rescanned after weathering (250, 500, 750, and 1000 Hours of weathering in the QUV) to determine the changes in colour.



The 3-dimensional CIELAB color space.

CIE Colour Space Notations

dL*(D65)	difference in lightness / darkness value	"+" = lighter "-" darker
da*(D65)	difference on the red / green axis	"+" = redder "-" = greener
db*(D65)	difference on the yellow / blue axis	"+" = yellower "-" = bluer
dE*(D65)	total colour difference value	

The d or delta describes the change in colour rather than an actual colour. The dL number indicates a change in light or dark colour. The da number indicates a change in green or red, and the db indicates a change in blue or yellow. The delta (dL, da and db) numbers indicate how the colour has changed from the original colour scan. DE is the visual difference between the two colours.

Gloss

Laboratory gloss meter used to test gloss.



ACTFLEX ULTRA FC - 24 Hours Recoat

System 0003/01

ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey has not visually changed colour after 1000 hours of weathering (ASTM D154 Cycle 1). It has been the best performer of the series. The dry film thickness has not changed.

System	QUV Hours	dL*(D65)	da*(D65)	db*(D65)	dE*ab(D65)
	0 Hrs	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.01
	250 Hrs	-0.20	-0.03	0.06	0.21
ACTFLEX ULTRA FC / ACTFLEX ULTRA FC	500 Hrs	-0.33	-0.06	0.04	0.34
	750 Hrs	-0.29	-0.08	0.00	0.30
	1000 Hrs	-0.34	-0.05	0.00	0.34

System	QUV Hours	Gloss
ACTFLEX ULTRA FC / ACTFLEX	0 Hrs	100.0
ULTRA FC	1000 Hrs	97.6



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ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey

System 0006/01 (ACTFLEX ULTRA FC)

ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey has not visually changed colour after 1000 hours of weathering (ASTM D154 Cycle 1). The Spectrophotometer (Konica Minolta - CM-36dG) has detected a darkening of the colour however, at this point, it can not be detected visually. The dry film thickness has not changed.

System	QUV Hours	dL*(D65)	da*(D65)	db*(D65)	dE*ab(D65)
	0 Hrs	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.01
	250 Hrs	-0.41	0.01	0.02	0.41
ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey	500 Hrs	-0.55	-0.07	-0.03	0.55
	750 Hrs	-0.54	-0.02	-0.06	0.55
	1000 Hrs	-0.83	0.00	-0.06	0.83

System	QUV Hours	Gloss	
ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey	0 Hrs	95.8	
	1000 Hrs	95.2	



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Conclusion

The following conclusions are drawn from the above results.

- ACTFLEX ULTRA FC Mid Grey had no visual change in colour or gloss.
- None of the samples experienced high levels of DFT loss.

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