

Test report

Test report relating to a glass product according to European standard EN 12600, Pendulum test for flat glass, concerning the product marked as: Glass Services Softcoat, manufactured by: Glass Services Ltd

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The tests have been performed in order to establish whether or not the product meets the requirements of the European standard EN 12600 [1].

1.2 Description of the samples

General

Name of the manufacturer	Glass Services
Address of the manufacturer	Wotton Road Ashford Kent, TN23 6LN
Production plant of the samples	Wotton Road Ashford Kent, TN23 6LN
Production date	December 2011
Sampling date	December 2011
The product was marked as	Glass Services
Dimensions of the samples	876 x 1938 mm

Specific

Nominal thicknesses	4 mm
Intermediate layer: type, thickness	n.a.
Applied films	n.a.

Nominal thicknesses	6 mm
Intermediate layer: type, thickness	n.a.
Applied films	n.a.

1.3 Sampling procedure

The test house, acting as notified test body, has had no influence on the selection of the samples.

1.4 Application

The request for testing was submitted by the manufacturer on December 2011. Assignment Form number: 11.A328.

1.5 Method of testing

All applicable tests have been performed according to the European standard EN 12600 [1].

1.6 Put out to contract

No tests were performed at third parties.

1.7 Privacy statement

Due to privacy reasons, the names of involved personnel that executed the tests, are not disclosed in the report. However, this information is available on internal work sheets, test forms etc. in the project file.

1.8 Notifications and accreditations

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1.9 Calibration of the test rig

Date of the last calibration of the test rig according to annex B of EN 12600 [1]: 3 January 2012.

2 Test results

Test results after performing all applicable tests according to European standard EN 12600 [1].

Class	Drop height (mm)	Result test 1	Result test 2	Result test 3	Result test 4
3	190	No breakage	No breakage	No breakage	No breakage
2	450	No breakage	No breakage	No breakage	No breakage
1	1200	Breakage 4b	Breakage 4b	Breakage 4b	Breakage 4b

Average thickness of the 4 measurements	3.9 mm
Because of asymmetric composition:	Impact side Impact on non coated side
Performance classification	1 (C) 2

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Average thickness of the 4 measurements	5.9 mm
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Performance classification	1 (C) 2

Explanation

EN 12600 § 6 Classification

6.1 General

Glazing conforming to this European Standard is classified as follows:

- its performance under the impact test;
- the drop height at which breakage occurred;
- the drop height at which the product passed in accordance with a) of clause 4;
- the drop height at which the product passed in accordance with b) of clause 4;
- the mode of breakage of the material if it remains unbroken after the impact test.

6.2 Drop height class

Glazing shall be classified as follows:

- Class 3: material that conforms to the requirements of clause 4 when tested by the method given in clause 5 at a drop height of 190 mm;
- Class 2: material that conforms to the requirements of clause 4 when tested by the method given in clause 5 at drop heights of 190 mm and 450 mm;
- Class 1: material that conforms to the requirements of clause 4 when tested by the method given in clause 5 at drop heights of 190 mm, 450 mm and 1 200 mm.

6.3 Mode of breakage

If all test pieces remain unbroken at the drop height appropriate to its intended drop height class, the mode of breakage shall be determined as per Annex C. The mode of breakage shall be described as follows:

- Type A: numerous cracks appear forming separate fragments with sharp edges, some of which are large (typical of annealed glass);
- Type B: numerous cracks appear, but the fragments hold together and do not separate (typical of laminated glass);
- Type C: disintegration occurs, leading to a large number of small particles that are relatively harmless (typical of toughened glass).

Performance classification

The performance classification of a glass product shall be given as follows:

α (β) ϕ

where

- α is the highest drop height class at which the product either did not break or broke in accordance with a) or b) of clause 4;
- β is the mode of breakage;
- ϕ is the highest drop height class at which the product either did not break or when broke, broke in accordance with a) of clause 4.

When a glass product breaks at a drop height of 190 mm and the breakage is not in accordance with a) of clause 4 then the value of ϕ quoted shall be zero.

3 Conclusion

The tested glass product, marked by the client or manufacturer as trade Glass Services Softcoat 4 mm, manufactured by: Glass Services Ltd, meets the applicable requirements as stated in the European standard EN 12600 [1] for a class: 1 (C) 2.

The test results exclusively relate to the tested objects.

The tested glass product, marked by the client or manufacturer as trade Glass Services, Softcoat 6 mm manufactured by: Glass Services Ltd, meets the applicable requirements as stated in the European standard EN 12600 [1] for a class: 1 (C) 2.

The test results exclusively relate to the tested objects.

Remark 1

When and if changes are made in production method and/or equipment, assessment according to this standard shall be reconsidered and re-tests shall be performed when the changes can lead to different specifications of the glass. The decision and responsibility lies at the manufacturer.

Remark 2

If no reference of the product description was supplied by the manufacturer, than that document shall be added to this test report by the manufacturer. It was to the manufacturer's responsibility that the samples delivered for initial type test are representative to the production and deviations from perfection were included in the delivered test samples.

4 References

- 1 European standard EN 12600:2002 (E),
Glass in building – Pendulum test – Impact test method and classification for float glass,
European Committee for Standardization, November 2002.

5 Signatures

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