



Subject UL XHHW, XHHW7

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TO: Subscribers to UL's Certification Program for Fill, Void or Cavity Materials and STP 1479 Members

SUBJECT: Firestop Sealant Shrinkage Evaluation

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform you of a new UL voluntary program to evaluate and report the shrinkage properties for UL Classified latex based firestop sealants. The creation of this program was initiated by the industry discussions since the initial UL bulletin dated December 3, 2010. This program is structured as follows:

1. Upon request, UL will evaluate latex based UL Classified firestop sealants to ASTM C1241, Standard Test Method for Volume Shrinkage of Latex Sealants During Cure.
2. Publish the shrinkage value in the respective manufacturer's Classification Card in the UL Fire Resistance Directory under XHHW and XHHW7—Fill, Void, and Cavity Materials.
3. Include information in the XHHW and XHHW7 Classification Card and Guideinfo page indicating 'Sealant thickness published in the fire resistance design is measured wet and may be susceptible to a percentage of shrinkage during the curing process. Consult the manufacturers Classification Card for the evaluated percentage of shrinkage.'

This program is effective immediately. Quote requests for this evaluation may be sent to firesafetyquote@us.ul.com.

We look forward to working with you to provide this service. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at any time.

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