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OBSOLESCENCE NOTICE

All DTD specifications were declared obsolescent from 1st April 1999. All DTD 900 series approvals also lapsed at that time. The standards will no longer be updated but will be retained as obsolescent documents to provide for the servicing of existing equipment.

Further Guidance

The aim in declaring the specifications obsolescent is to recognise that the documents are not being updated and thus should be used with care by both purchaser and supplier. For example, a specification could contain valid technical information but may also contain type approval clauses that contradict procurement policy and/or use materials that do not comply with environmental legislation. The obsolescent specification can still be used as a basis for a purchase provided that the supplier and purchaser agree suitable changes to the specification within the purchase order/contract.

For the DTD 900 system, each specification has provided an MoD approved material and process. For these items, the declaration of obsolescence will constitute the termination of both the extant MoD approval and the continuing MoD assessment that had underpinned those approvals. Again, the technical content of the document remains valid and can be used by both purchaser and supplier as a basis for a contract but an acceptable (to the parties) approval/assessment procedure would be required.

Aircraft Material Specification
THINNERS FOR SYNTHETIC PAINTS
(90 per cent Aromatic)

NOTE.—This specification is one of a series issued by the Ministry of Aviation either to meet a limited requirement not covered by any existing British Standard, or to serve as a basis for inspection of materials, the properties and uses of which are not sufficiently developed to warrant submission to the British Standards Institution for standardisation.

1. Description

The material shall be a mixture of organic liquids in the proportions described in the formula at Clause 2 below.

2. Composition

The thinners shall have the following formulation:—

Xylol 5°	B.S.458 —9 parts by volume
Butyl Alcohol	B.S.508 —1 part by volume

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