

# **Q-PANEL®** Test Substrates

**Qualicoat Test Methods** 

# Why Q-PANEL

## **Consistent**

Quality, standardized surfaces with an industry-leading warranty

### **Cost-Effective**

 $\label{thm:production} \mbox{High-volume production, with 95\% of orders shipped from stock} \mbox{ from our global distribution network}$ 

## **Convenient**

Pre-cleaned with a Q-shaped hanging hole, rounded corners, and deburred edges

## Clean

Pre-cleaned before packaging to remove any surface oil



## **STANDARDIZED SURFACES**

A variety of finishes are available to reproduce different real-world metal surfaces, such as smooth mill, matte, and ground. Strict quality control processes ensure that these surfaces deliver repeatable and reproducible test results.

#### SPECIAL PACKAGING

Steel substrates are carefully packaged with a vapor phase rust inhibitor to quarantee pristine surface quality free of oil stains, with a shelf life of years.

## **EXPERIENCE**

Q-Lab provides expert-level applications assistance to help get the most out of testing with your Q-PANEL substrates. We can help you understand the best panel selections for a wide variety of uses and industries.

## **NO-NONSENSE WARRANTY**

Q-Lab offers a complete, 100% warranty on Q-PANEL substrates. Just return them for any reason if you're not satisfied.

## **Q-PANEL Substrates for Qualicoat Tests**

Q-PANEL standard substrates can be used for a variety of Qualicoat tests as presented in Section 2, "Test Methods and Requirements".

Q-PANEL	Description	Qualicoat Spec	Test Type	
AQ	5005 H24 Bare Al	2.6, 2.7, 28	Mechanical Tests	
		2	General coated parts testing	
		2.20	Scratch and mar resistance test	
AEX-26	6063 T5/T6 Extruded Al	2.10, 2.11	Corrosion Tests	
		3.2.1	Etch Rate Test	

- Q-PANEL substrates are also ideal for Accelerated weathering testing according to Qualicoat requirements
  - Classes 1, 1.5 and 2
  - Test according to ISO 16474-2 Method A for 1,000 hours
- ▶ 4" × 12" Q-PANEL substrates used for qualifying new color/powder coatings in Florida outdoor exposures
- Custom Q-PANEL test panels are also available



# **Q-Lab Testing Services**

Q-Lab offers ISO 17025-accredited laboratory and outdoor testing in Florida, the internationally-recognized benchmark location for outdoor exposure testing. Why choose Q-Lab Testing Services?

- · Short-term need for testing
- · Additional testing capacity required
- Special project with a new test cycle
- Requirement for accredited third-party verification of test results.



# **Accelerated Laboratory Testing**

Q-Lab Testing Services offers a range of materials durability testing to support your Qualicoat approval program.



Test Type	Apparatus	Example Tests Available	
UV Fluorescent	QUV accelerated weathering tester	ISO 16474-3 ISO 4892-3	ASTM G154
Xenon-Arc	Q-SUN xenon arc tester	ISO 16474-2 ISO 4892-2 SAE J2527 SAE J2412	ASTM G155 VW PV 3929 VW PV 3930 VW PV 1303
Corrosion and Condensation	Q-FOG cyclic corrosion tester	ISO 9227 (NSS) ASTM B117	ISO 6270-2 ISO 20340

## **Evaluations**

Q-Lab Testing Services can perform a variety of destructive and nondestructive evaluations to generate results that support Qualicoat testing.

Evaluation	Standard	
Visual evaluations	ISO 4628	
Grey scale evaluations	ISO 105-A02	
Instrumental color measurements	ISO 7724-2	
Gloss measurements	ISO 2813	
Tape adhesion	ISO 2409	
Film hardness pencil test	ASTM D3363	





