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# Qualification and Performance Specification of Permanent Solder Mask and Flexible Cover Materials

### 1 SCOPE AND DESIGNATION

**1.1 Scope** This specification **shall** define the criteria for and method of obtaining the maximum information about and confidence in cured permanent solder mask and cover material under evaluation with the minimum of test redundancy.

This specification shall establish the requirements for:

- The evaluation of solder mask and cover materials
- · The conformance of solder mask and cover material properties
- The qualification of the solder mask and cover material via the appropriate test substrate
- The qualification assessment of the solder mask and cover material in conjunction with the production printed board process

