



TABER[®] Abrading Wheels

Abrading wheels for the Taber[®] Abraser are available in two general types, Calibrase[®] and Calibrade[®]. With standardized grades to meet varying requirements of abrasive action, numerous types of materials may be evaluated. Custom abrasives can also be developed, specific to your application.

Calibrase[®]

Composed of a resilient binder, and aluminum oxide or silicon carbide abrasive particles. During testing, the wheel surface wears away to expose new grain particles.



Calibrade[®]

Composed of a non-resilient, vitrified binder and aluminum oxide or silicon carbide abrasive particles.



Type	Part No.	Color	Abrasive Action	Refacing Medium	Notes	Shelf Life
Calibrase	CS-10F	Brown	Very Mild - Mild	ST-11 Stone	Do not exceed 500g load	2 year
Calibrase	CS-10	Green	Mild - Medium	S-11 Disc		4 years
Calibrase	CS-10P	Green	Mild - Medium	S-11 Disc	For testing paper	4 years
Calibrase	CS-10W	White	Mild - Medium	S-11 Disc	No colorant added	4 years
Calibrase	CS-17	Dark Green	Harsh	S-11 Disc		4 years
Calibrade	H-10	Grey	Fine - Medium	Wheel Refacer		No expiration
Calibrade	H-18	Grey	Medium - Coarse	Wheel Refacer		No expiration
Calibrade	H-22	Green-Grey	Very Coarse	Wheel Refacer		No expiration
Calibrade	H-38	Tan	Very Fine	Wheel Refacer w/multipoint tool	Do not exceed 500g load	No expiration

NOTE: Shelf life is dependent on proper storage conditions: relative humidity = 50% ± 5%, temperature = 23 °C ± 2 °C. Use before expiration date.

- Calibrase wheels are often used to test *rigid* specimens, Calibrade wheels to test *flexible* specimens.
- Under ordinary conditions, a wheel / load combination should run a minimum of 300 cycles on a material specimen before the end point occurs. Otherwise, the test may be too harsh.
- The minimum usable diameter of Taber abrading wheels is 45 mm (1.75"), as indicated on the wheel label. Wheel life is dependent on load, frequency and method of refacing, and material being tested.
- During testing, wheel surfaces may "clog" or "crown" and require refacing.
- Increasing the load on the wheel typically increases the rate of wear.

Specialty wheels are also available for the Taber[®] Abraser.

Part No.	Composition	Servicing Required	Notes	Shelf Life
CS-0 (S-32)	Non-Abrasive Rubber	Clean with isopropyl alcohol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sandpaper strips must be changed frequently to maintain the rate of wear 	2 years
CS-5	Wool Felt	Lightly brush surface with S-12 brush	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should not be used for a wet test Do not exceed 500g load 	3 years
S-35	Tungsten Carbide	Clean with solvent and stiff brush	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Severe cutting or tearing action Use ONLY on resilient materials 	No expiration
S-39	Leather Strip around brass hub	Replace if minimum diameter is less than 46 mm (1.8125")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use with Taber Grit Feeder Attachment Requires break-in period of 1000 cycles 	3 years

- The CS-0 rubber wheel is used in conjunction with abrasive sandpaper strips (S-33 or S-42), or by itself to test the abrasiveness of pastes.
- The CS-5 felt wheel is often used to evaluate the wear resistance of textile fabrics.
- The S-35 tungsten carbide wheel incorporates sharp helical teeth cut into the wheel periphery, and should only be used on resilient materials such as rubber or leather.
- The S-39 leather wheel is used with the Grit Feeder to evaluate three-body abrasion on specimens.