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IMPORTANT NOTICE

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TABER ANNOUNCES NEW SUPPLIER FOR S-42 SANDPAPER STRIPS

North Tonawanda, NY – Taber Industries is pleased to announce a new supplier for our S-42 sandpaper strips (180 grit aluminum oxide, open coat, glue bond). Product is scheduled to start shipping during the first quarter of 2024.

The decision to change suppliers is based on 3M's notification in April 2024 that they were discontinuing the 210N grade of sandpaper. Combined with declining demand for this product and not being able to procure "A" weight paper from their vendor, 3M informed Taber they would not be making this product any longer. An effort to identify an alternative 3M coated abrasive was unsuccessful, so Taber expanded our search to other vendors.

The supplier Taber has chosen provides the most consistent sandpaper that meets the mass loss requirements specified in the test methods. Prior to making this selection, extensive testing was conducted with the new sandpaper to ensure it would satisfy all performance requirements. When tested on the S-34 zinc plate, the average mass loss was found to be within the acceptable range of 120 ± 20 mg (average of 4 lots tested = 125.6 mg with a standard deviation of 9 mg). In addition, the results of these studies indicate this sandpaper has considerably less variability than the original 3M 210N grade.

No change will be made to the S-42 model number or part numbers, however a change in color (orange) will help identify this new sandpaper. Should you have any questions, please contact Taber Industries at sales@taberindustries.com.





Mr. Alan Jaenecke Taber Industries 455 Bryant St. N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

April 11, 2023

Subject: 210N Discontinuation

Dear Mr. Jaenecke

Because of low sales and consistently declining demand 3M will no longer manufacture the 210N product purchased by Taber Industries.

Sincerely,



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