

DuPont[™] SentryGlas[®] Plus Edge stability results—seven year test

DuPont Glass Laminating Solutions DuPont[™] SentryGlas[®] Plus Structural Interlayer Product Information



At the BellSouth building in Fort Lauderdale, silicone-sealed, butt-joined safety glass made with SentryGlas[®] Plus helped architects deliver panoramic corner office views, while meeting tough wind and storm protection codes. Extensive outdoor testing and real life experience show that laminates made with SentryGlas[®] Plus resist damage from longterm sealant contact.



Proven edge stability opens new design possibilities

From tropical heat and storm zones to northern climate extremes, DuPont[™] SentryGlas[®] Plus interlayers enable designers to create stronger, larger expanses of safety glazing including open-edged, structural, and butt-glazed installations.

Frigid winters, shadeless summer heat and occasional Mississippi River floodwaters were among the design challenges for a bandshell built on an island in St. Paul, Minnesota. Openedged and butt-sealed glazing panels made with SentryGlas[®] Plus remain free of visual defects after years of exposure. The extra strength of the interlayer helped create a uniquely shaped overhead structure.







Laminated glass test lites made with DuPont™ SentryGlas® Plus structural interlayers were placed on exposure in Florida on 18 September 1997 and have been inspected annually for weathering effects.

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Zero defects for SentryGlas® Plus after 84-month Florida weathering

After 84-month exposure, SentryGlas® Plus laminate was assigned an Edge Stability Number (see Table 1). This weighted system assigns higher importance to progressively deeper defects. A laminate with no defects would have an ESN of 0, while the maximum would be 2,500 (equivalent to continuous defects measuring >1/4 in. [6.4 mm] around the entire perimeter).

The Edge Stability Number (ESN) calculation is as follows:

• ESN = 1•(PCT1) + 4•(PCT2) + 9•(PCT3) + 16•(PCT4) + 25•(PCT5)

Where
PCT1 = % defect length with depth $<^{1}/_{16}$ in. (<1.6 mm)
PCT2 = % defect length with depth $1/_{16}$ in. – <1/8 in. (1.6 – <3.2 mm)
PCT3 = % defect length with depth $1/8$ in. – <3/16 in. (3.2 – <4.7 mm)
PCT4 = % defect length with depth $1/_{16}$ in. – <1/4 in. (4.7 – <6.4 mm)
PCT5 = % defect length with depth $>1/4$ in. (>6.4 mm)



After years of open-edge weather exposure, the interlayer of SentryGlas[®] Plus still has its fresh from the manufacturer edge detail.



SentryGlas® Plus structural interlayers enable innovative designs and support systems.

Photographs of observed SentryGlas® Plus edge conditions are presented below:



Edges of laminated glass test samples after weather exposure show no measurable moisture intrusion or delamination effects in open-edge application.



Edges of laminated glass after weather exposure show no measurable moisture intrusion or delamination effects in silicone butt-joined installations.

Zero defects for open edges and silicone contact

ESN data in Table 1 includes samples with open-edge exposure, as well as samples butt-joined using silicone. ESN numbers recorded are zero (0) for samples laminated using SentryGlas® Plus.

Table 1: SentryGlas® Plus Edge Stability Number(ESN) Test Data after Seven Year Exposure

			Defect Length (mm)					
5	Sample ID	Laminate Perimeter (mm)	<1.6	1.6–3.1	3.2-4.6	4.7–6.3	>6.4	ESN
8	824-63-1	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-64-2	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-48-3	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-46-4	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-47-5	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-44-6	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-34-7	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-27-8	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-16-9	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-71-10	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-56-11	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-75-12	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	824-74-13	3912	0	0	0	0	0	0

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