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Tile: Aqua Series, multi-colored "**AQ-1203 Obsidian Blend**" glass body.
 Nominal size: 1" x 2" x 1/4". Tile made in China

Conditions: New tiles sent to TILE INSTITUTE of AMERICA in sealed manufacturer's boxes from client above and selected at random. New tile were cleaned per specification prior to testing.

TEST: RESISTANCE TO FREEZE-THAW CYCLING (ASTM C 1026)

Standard Test Method for Measuring the Resistance of Ceramic Tile to Freeze-Thaw Cycling.

Ten Specimens were placed into the freezing chamber to 0°F (-18°C) within a period of 6-8 hours and placed into water that was at a temperature from 50° to 60°F (10° to 16°C) for ≥30 minutes.

Requirements: After 15 Cycles, The units are to show no evidence of Failure to Body or Surfaces.

None = No evidence of Disintegration. Damage to the specimen is reported with the abbreviation as follows:
 Cz = crazing, Ch = Chipping, Sp = spalling, Bc = body checks, Cr = cracks.

Results: All units described above have PASSED as shown below:

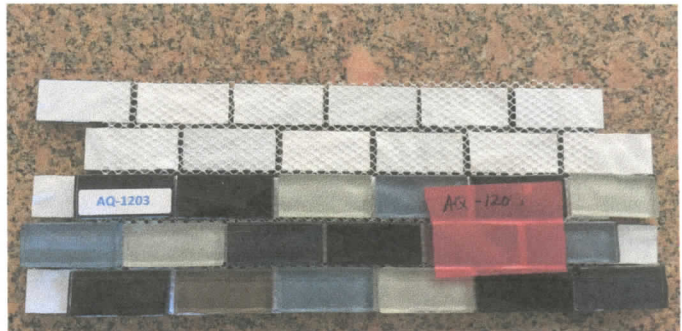
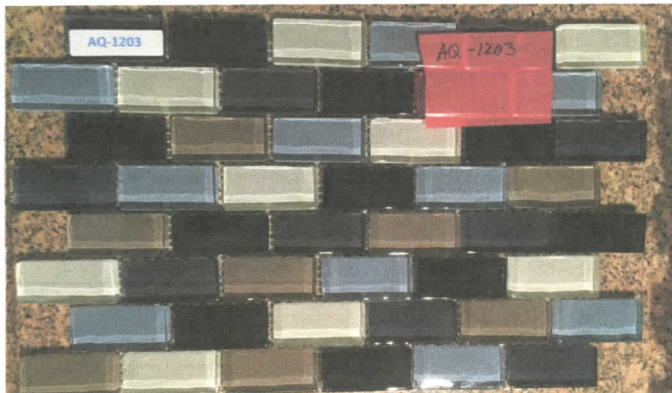
Tile	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	Control
Before	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
Cycle #											
1	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
2	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
3	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
4	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
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14	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
15	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None

Continued:

Soul Series, "AQ-1203 Obsidian Blend" glass body.

16	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
17	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
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41	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
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43	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
44	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
45	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None

These tiles have passed ASTM C1026 Freeze/Thaw Test.



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