

**Use Information:** This paragraph is informational only and is not exclusively definitive of the end use. For minimum quality face and back offset printing of catalogs, pamphlets, newsletter, newspapers, etc., of a non-permanent nature. Printed matter may include text, line illustrations, and 65-line screen halftones.

**Stock:** Not less than 40% postconsumer fiber. Any percent over 40 percentage points, is encourage, provided that the requirements of this Standard are met.

**Basis weight:** 24 by 36 inches,  
500 sheets (pounds)..... 25 28 30 32  
A tolerance of  $\pm 5\%$  shall be allowed.

**Tearing strength:** Average each  
direction, not less than (grams)..... 18 20 22 24

**Opacity:** Average not less than  
(percent) ..... 87 89 90 91  
No individual specimen shall average  
less than (percent) ..... 85 87 88 89

**Thickness:** Average (mils).. .. 2.8 3.0 3.2 3.5  
A tolerance of  $\pm 0.0005$  inch shall be allowed. Paper shall be uniform and shall not vary more than 0.0004 inch from edge to edge.

**General appearance:** Paper shall conform to the standard sample(s) established by the Government.

**Brightness:** Shall target 53% or as specified.

**Color:** The paper in the order (or publication) shall be uniform and the color variation shall not exceed DE(CIELAB) = 1.0.

**Finish and formation:** Shall be uniform.

**Cleanliness:** Shall match the Government standard.

**Testing:** Shall be conducted in accordance with methods in part 2, *Government Paper Specification Standards*. The acceptance criteria Part 4 shall apply.