# PRODUCT DATA SHEET Indalloy® 272

# Pb-Free Solder Paste Offerings

#### Introduction

Indalloy®272 is a SAC solder with the addition of Bi and Sb. The exact composition is available upon request. It provides high-reliability solder joints for automotive applications. Currently, it is available with three different no-clean flux chemistries: one is halogen-containing and two are halogen-free (no intentionally-added halogens). Type 3, Type 4, and Type 4.5 powders are all readily available. Also, T5-MC powder has recently become available. Both air and nitrogen reflow are supported.

#### **Features**

#### Indium8.9HF

- Halogen-free (no intentionally added halogens) per EN 14582 test method
- . Low QFN, BGA, CSP voiding
- High print transfer efficiency down to 0.55 area ratio
- Hot/cold slump resistant
- Clear, probe-testable flux residue
- · High oxidation resistance
- · Our most stable paste
- Wets well to oxidized BGA and pad surfaces
- Excellent soldering under high temperature and long reflow profiles

#### Indium10.1

- · Halogen-containing
- Very low QFN voiding for large ground planes
- High print transfer efficiency/low print variations down to 0.55 area ratio
- Hot/cold slump resistant
- Eliminates incomplete coalescence (graping) and head-in-pillow defects
- Outstanding RF shield metallization wetting

#### **RMA-155**

- · Halogen-free per EN 14582 test method
- Low-voiding
- High-performance stencil printing characteristics
- Eliminates hot/cold slump
- Clear, probe-testable post-reflow flux residue
- · High oxidation resistance
- RMA paste
- Robust reflow performance to accommodate assembly of BGA and components with large ground planes
- Maintains very high resistance during SIR testing
- Ideal for mixed alloy SnPb and Pb-free processes

# **Standard Product Specifications**

Туре	Flux	Metal Load %	
Т3	10.1	88.75	
	8.9HF	89.00	
	RMA-155	89.00	
Т4	10.1		
	8.9HF	88.50	
	RMA-155		
T4.5	10.1	88.50	
	8.9HF	88.25	
	RMA-155	88.25	

# **Compatible Products**

Rework Flux: TACFlux® 020B, TACFlux® 089HF

• Cored Wire: CW-807

• Wave Flux: WF-9945, WF-9958

Note: Other products may be applicable. Please consult one of Indium Corporation's Technical Support Engineers.



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## **Storage and Handling Procedures**

Refrigerated storage will prolong the shelf life of solder paste. Solder paste packaged in cartridges should be stored tip down.

Storage Conditions (unopened containers)	Shelf Life
<10°C	6 months

Solder paste should be allowed to reach ambient working temperature prior to use. Generally, paste should be removed from refrigeration at least 2 hours before use. Actual time to reach thermal equilibrium will vary with container size. Paste temperature should be verified before use. Jars and cartridges should be labeled with date and time of opening.

## **Packaging**

**Indalloy®272** is currently available in 500g jars or 600g cartridges. Packaging for enclosed print head systems is also readily available. Alternate packaging options may be available upon request.

#### **Bellcore and J-STD Tests and Results**

Total	Results			
Test	Indium8.9HF	Indium10.1	RMA-155	
J-STD-004A (IPC TM-650)				
Flux Type (per J-STD-004A)	ROL0	ROL1	ROL0	
Flux-Induced Corrosion (Copper Mirror)	Type L	Type L	Type L	
Presence of Halide  - Silver Chromate  - Fluoride Spot Test  - Ion Chromatography	<100ppm	Pass Pass <0.5% CI- eq.	<100ppm	
SIR	Pass	Pass	Pass	
J-STD-005 (IPC TM-650)				
Typical Solder Paste Viscosity Malcom (10rpm)	1,700 poise	1,450 poise	1,700 poise	
Slump Test	Pass	Pass	Pass	
Solder Ball Test	Pass	Pass	Pass	
Typical Tackiness	35 grams	35 grams	35 grams	
Wetting Test	Pass	Pass	Pass	
BELLCORE GR-78				
SIR	Pass	Pass	Pass	
Electromigration	Pass	Pass	Pass	
QQ-S-571F				
RMA Paste	Meets/exceeds	_	Meets/exceeds	
Rosin Content	≥51% of non-volatile components	_	≥51% of non-volatile components	

All information is for reference only.

Not to be used as incoming product specifications.



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## **Printing**

#### **Stencil Design:**

Electroformed and laser cut/electropolished stencils produce the best printing characteristics among stencil types. Stencil aperture design is a crucial step in optimizing the print process. The following are a few general recommendations:

- Discrete components—A 10–20% reduction of stencil aperture has significantly reduced or eliminated the occurrence of mid-chip solder beads. The "home plate" design is a common method for achieving this reduction.
- Fine-pitch components—A surface area reduction is recommended for apertures of 20mil pitch and finer. This reduction will help minimize solder balling and bridging that can lead to electrical shorts. The amount of reduction necessary is process-dependent (5–15% is common).
- For optimum transfer efficiency and release of the solder paste from the stencil apertures, industry standard aperture and aspect ratios should be adhered to.

# **Printer Operation:**

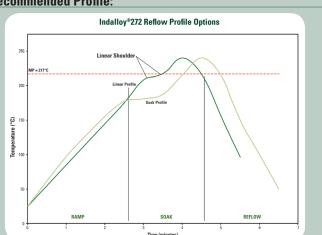
Solder Paste Bead Size	~20—25mm in diameter	
Print Speed	50-100mm/second	
Squeegee Pressure	0.018-0.027kg/mm of blade length	
Underside Stencil Wipe	Start at once per every 5 prints and decrease frequency until optimum value is reached	
Squeegee Type/Angle	Metal with appropriate length/~60 degrees	
Solder Paste Stencil Life	>8 hours (at 30–60% RH and 22–28°C)	

## **Cleaning**

**Indalloy®272** is designed for no-clean applications; however, the flux can be removed, if necessary, by using a commercially available flux residue remover.

**Stencil Cleaning** is best performed using isopropyl alcohol (IPA) as a solvent. Most commercially available non-water-based stencil cleaners work well.

# Reflow Recommended Profile:



This profile applies to Indalloy®272 and other similar SAC alloys. This can be used as a general guideline in establishing a reflow profile when using Indalloy®272 solder pastes. Deviations from these recommendations are acceptable, and may be necessary, based on specific process requirements, including board size, thickness, and density. Start with the linear profile, then move to the optional soak profile, if needed. The flat soak portion of the linear profile (linear shoulder) may also be eliminated.

Reflow Profile Details	SAC305		C	
	Recommended	Acceptable	Comments	
Ramp Profile (Average Ambient to Peak)— Not the Same as Maximum Rising Slope	0.5-1°C/second	0.5-2.5°C/second	To minimize solder balling, beading, hot slump	
Soak Zone Profile (Optional)	30-90 seconds	20–120 seconds	May minimize BGA/CSP voiding	
	160-180°C	160-180°C	Eliminating/reducing the soak zone $\underline{\text{may}}$ help to reduce HIP and graping	
Time Above Liquidus (TAL)	45–90 seconds	30–100 seconds	Needed for good wetting/reliable solder joint	
Peak Temperature	240-260°C	235-265°C	As measured with thermocouple	
Cooling Ramp Rate	2-4°C/second	0.5-4°C/second	Rapid cooling promotes fine-grain structure	
Reflow Atmosphere	Air	or N <sub>2</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> preferred for small components	

All parameters are for reference only.

Modifications may be required to fit process and design.



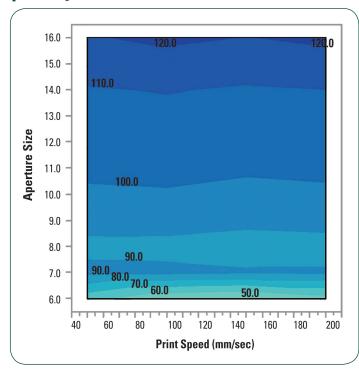
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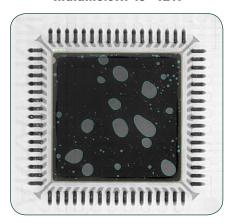
# **Consistent Printing Capability for a Wide Process Window**



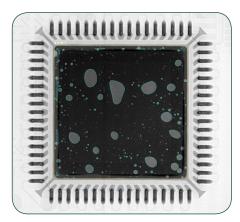
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# **QFN** Voiding

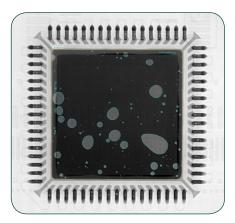
Typical QFN Voiding for Indium8.9HF is ~12%



Typical QFN Voiding for Indium10.1 is ~10%



Typical QFN Voiding for RMA-155 is ~13%



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