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BHMA ISSUES STANDARD FOR CABINET HARDWARE

The Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) announces the publication of ANSI/BHMA A156.9 - 2009 American National Standard for Cabinet Hardware.

This standard contains requirements for cabinet hardware and includes hinges, knobs, pulls, catches, shelf rests, standards and brackets, drawer slides, rotating shelves and track with guides for sliding panels. Included are the performance tests covering operational, cyclical, strength, and finish criteria.

Changes to the standard include: added tests for “pocket cabinet doors”; An exception for center mounted drawer slides to use a test drawer size of 12 inches; Added requirements to cover self-closing damper hinges; Added corresponding definitions, type numbers and illustrations; Clarifying of paragraph 4.7.1 that threaded insert rotation was considered a failure.

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About BHMA

The Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) is an industry leader in building safety and security. BHMA is the only organization accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) to develop and maintain performance standards for locks, closers, exit devices and other builders hardware. The widely known ANSI/BHMA A156 series of standards describes and establishes the features and criteria for specific types of hardware products. In addition, BHMA sponsors third-party certification of hardware products, which is a requirement for a product to bear the “BHMA Certified” mark — insuring that the product meets the ANSI/BHMA standard. For more information on BHMA, please write to BHMA, 355 Lexington Avenue, Suite 15th Floor, New York, NY, 10017 or visit the Web site at www.buildershardware.com.

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