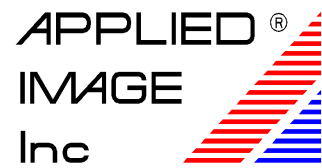


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Catalog Part No: (grouped by substrate material)

T-21-N-CG / T-21-P-CG / T-21-2-N-CG

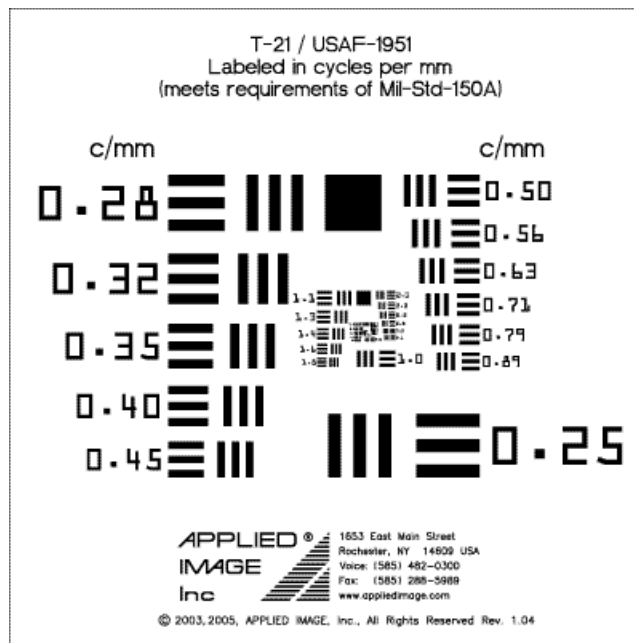
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T-21-N-TM / T-21-P-TM

T-21-N-RM / T-21-P-RM

Product Name: **Improved USAF 1951 Chart**, (standard layout)


Drawing / Photo of Part:



The above image is an approximate representation of the actual product.
Specifications are subject to change without notice.

Description: This test target meets requirements as specified in MIL-STD-150A for resolving power tests. All bars and space features are the same as provided on the traditional USAF-1951 Chart (T-20 USAF-1951 Chart). The frequency of each *Element* indicated by an adjacent label in c/mm, using an OCR font for maximum recognizability. This feature avoids the necessity of a lookup chart.

Note: Applied Image offers the standard USAF 1951 chart as part number T-20 as well as an additional improved version of this test target as the T-22. Since the MIL-STD-150A standard specifies only contrast and feature sizes, this target continues to meet the requirements of that standard.

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Substrate Size, Type, Image Forming Material, Polarity and Frequency Range:

Part Number	Substrate Size (mm)	Substrate Type	Image Forming Material	Polarity	Frequencies (c/mm)
T-21-N-CG	102 x 102	Soda-lime glass	Chrome	Negative	0.25 → 228
T-21-P-CG	102 x 102	Soda-lime glass	Chrome	Positive	0.25 → 228
T-21-N-OP	102 x 102	White opal glass	Chrome	Negative	0.25 → 228
T-21-P-OP	102 x 102	White opal glass	Chrome	Positive	0.25 → 228
T-21-2-N-CG	102 x 102	Soda-lime glass	Chrome	Negative	0.25 → 512
T-21-2-N-OP	102 x 102	White opal glass	Chrome	Negative	0.25 → 512
T-21-N-TM	102 x 102	Clear polyester	Photo-emulsion	Negative	0.25 → 181
T-21-P-TM	102 x 102	Clear polyester	Photo-emulsion	Positive	0.25 → 181
T-21-N-RM	102 x 102	Photo-paper	Photo-emulsion	Negative	0.25 → 22.6
T-21-P-RM	102 x 102	Photo-paper	Photo-emulsion	Positive	0.25 → 22.6

Reading Direction: Right Read Chrome / Emulsion Up (RRCU / RREU).

Image Placement Accuracy: 0.001mm/100mm on glass. Polyester or paper expansion is the major source of change in photo-emulsion versions.

Feature Size Accuracy: Typical line width is 2 to 5 percent of aim.

Image Contrast / Density: Chrome transmission density is 2.0 or higher; photo-emulsion transmission density 2.0 or higher (photo-emulsion on polyester); emulsion reflection density 1.3 or higher (photo-emulsion on paper).

History / typical use: Checking of optical resolving power for optical systems.

How To Use Resolution Test Charts: Multi-bar test charts are most often used to determine the overall resolution limit of an entire optical system. Each component of a system adds some degradation to image quality. Therefore, the comparison of a test chart in the object plane to the resulting image (image plane vs. film or image vs. electronic file) will produce the complete account of all components such as optics, image processing, vibration, color fringing, etc. Test charts may be used in optical systems that reduce, maintain (the same image size 1:1) or magnify the image size however; system magnification must be applied as a multiplier to determine the resolving power limit. **Example:** To evaluate a 35mm film-camera system, load the camera with the film of interest. Position the camera at a measured distance from the test chart and achieve good focus. (Commonly 25 focal lengths is the distance used from camera to the test chart.) Develop the


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image and measure the object and image sizes. (i.e. If the test chart card is 100mm wide in the object plane and 5.5mm on the film, the system reduction factor is 1:18.18 (0.055). Next, examine the film image using a microscope and determine the resolution limit. If the last distinct *Element* has a frequency of 5.04 c/mm, then the resolving power or the resolution of the film is calculated from that image frequency divided by the reduction (5.04/0.055 or 91.6 c/mm).

How to read a resolution bar test pattern: Resolution is defined as a threshold measurement. The resolution limit is the last group of bars that can be seen and correctly counted in both horizontal and vertical directions. Breaks within the bar pattern are acceptable, and do not cause failure of resolution as long as the bars are distinctly identified and accurately counted. A microscope with the necessary magnification is commonly used to view reduced images. The correct number of bars must be counted when determining the resolution limit in order to avoid an inflated measure. This problem can be seen while observing increasingly finer groups. Features will be beyond resolution and then appear again. One cause of this spurious resolution is poor focus of a lens, which causes the bars and spaces in the image to apparently flip polarity. Other causes are artifacts from digital scanning, or image processing algorithms.

Target Viewing Angle: Test charts may be placed at the center and outer edges of the field of view so that the comparisons can be made of resolving power between locations across the field of view. Commonly, a comparison is made between center and edge at 90-degree increments at the outer edge of the field of view. This is useful for detection of directional vibration influences and the common problem of uniformity of quality throughout the lens field of view. A more complete assessment would use charts at additional locations throughout the field for example, comparing resolving power at the center with the entire outside edge at 45-degree increments.

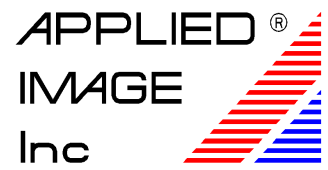
Terms: Line Pairs per mm (LP/mm) or lines per mm (lpmm) equals cycles per mm.

Related documents: c-mm LPI DPI info.pdf, T-20-spec.pdf, T-22-spec.pdf

Related Parts: T-20, T-22, T-10, T-90

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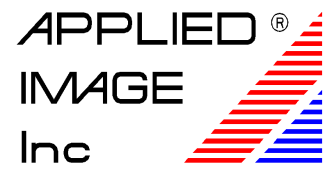


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	2	0.018	28509	1.122392		0.89	0.45	0.35	0.18
	3	0.020	25398	0.999938		1.00	0.50	0.39	0.20
	4	0.022	22627	0.890843		1.12	0.56	0.44	0.22
	5	0.025	20159	0.793651		1.26	0.63	0.50	0.25
	6	0.028	17959	0.707063		1.41	0.71	0.56	0.28
-5	1	0.031	16000	0.629921		1.59	0.79	0.63	0.31
	2	0.035	14254	0.561196		1.78	0.89	0.70	0.35
	3	0.039	12699	0.499969		2.00	1.00	0.79	0.39
	4	0.044	11314	0.445422		2.25	1.12	0.88	0.44
	5	0.050	10079	0.396826		2.52	1.26	0.99	0.50
	6	0.056	8980	0.353531		2.83	1.41	1.11	0.56
-4	1	0.063	8000	0.314961		3.18	1.59	1.25	0.63
	2	0.070	7127	0.280598		3.56	1.78	1.40	0.70
	3	0.079	6350	0.249984		4.00	2.00	1.57	0.79
	4	0.088	5657	0.222711		4.49	2.25	1.77	0.88
	5	0.099	5040	0.198413		5.04	2.52	1.98	0.99
	6	0.111	4490	0.176766		5.66	2.83	2.23	1.11
-3	1	0.125	4000	0.157480		6.35	3.18	2.50	1.25
	2	0.140	3564	0.140299		7.13	3.56	2.81	1.40
	3	0.157	3175	0.124992		8.00	4.00	3.15	1.57
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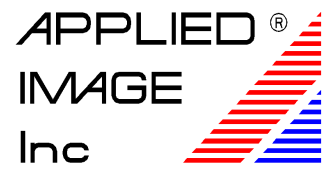


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	5	1.587	314.98	0.012401		80.64	40.32		31.75	15.87
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	3	2.520	198.43	0.007812		128.01	64.00		50.40	25.20
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	6	3.564	140.31	0.005524		181.03	90.52		71.27	35.64

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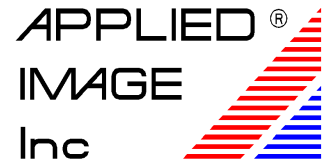


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	3	5.04	99.21	0.003906	256.02	128.01		100.79	50.40
	4	5.66	88.39	0.003480	287.37	143.68		113.14	56.57
	5	6.35	78.75	0.003100	322.56	161.28		126.99	63.50
	6	7.13	70.15	0.002762	362.06	181.03		142.54	71.27
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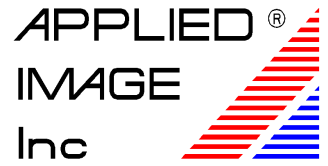


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