

## STANDARD INFORMATION

**Standard:** UL 970

**Standard ID:** Retail Fixtures and Merchandise Displays [UL 970:2020 Ed.1+R:06Oct2023]

**Previous Standard ID:** Retail Fixtures and Merchandise Displays [UL 970:2020 Ed.1+R:21Oct2022]

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF NEW/REVISED REQUIREMENTS

**Effective Date:** **October 6, 2025**

## IMPACT, OVERVIEW, AND ACTION REQUIRED

**Impact Statement:** Per our accreditation, Intertek is required to review reports against the standard revisions to confirm compliance. Once compliance is confirmed, the standard reference in the report is updated to show continued compliance to the technical requirements of the standard. Reports not updated to this version by the effective date above will be withdrawn.

### Overview of Changes:

- Revision to flammability testing
- Modification to Display Mounting Test Requirements

Specific details of new/revise requirements are found in table below

***Current Listings Not Active? – Please immediately identify any current Listing Reports or products that are no longer active and should be removed from our records. We will do this at no charge as long as Intertek is notified in writing prior to the review of your reports.***



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CLAUSE	VERDICT	COMMENT
		<i>Additions to existing requirements are <u>underlined</u> and deletions are shown <del>lined-out</del> below.</i>
26	Info	<b>Flammability</b>
26.2	Info	<b>Other display types</b>
26.2.1		<p>A display or combination of displays that are intended to be used together, such as a row of displays ganged together within one foot, with a combustible surface area greater than 10 ft<sup>2</sup> (0.93 m<sup>2</sup>) of a flat planer surface shall comply with the Standard for Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials, UL 723, <u>or the Standard for Surface Flammability of Materials Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source, ASTM E162.</u></p> <p><u>Each test for UL 723 requires a sample length of 24 feet (7.3 m) and a sample width of 24 inches (0.6 m). The length can usually be comprised of separate lengths butted together. Each test for ASTM E162 requires four test specimens with a sample length of 18 inches (457 mm) and sample width of 6 inches (152 mm).</u></p>
26.2.2		<p>Products tested to the Standard for Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials, UL 723, <u>or the Standard for Surface Flammability of Materials Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source ASTM E162,</u> shall have a maximum flame-spread rating of 200. <del>and if the smoked developed rating is</del> <u>If a product tested to UL 723 has a Smoke Developed index (SDI) over 450 the product shall be marked as specified in 75.24.</u></p>
33	Info	<b>Structure Mounted or Secured Display Tests</b>
33.2	Info	<b>Suspended display, securement test</b>
33.2.2		<p>Common North American Structures, Section 36, defines typical building surfaces located in North America. The test shall be conducted using one or more surface type. The installation instructions shall: <del>specify the surfaces that were used for the test. Sufficient detail shall be provided in the instructions to specify the structures, hardware, fasteners and mounting system that were used to support the display.</del></p> <p><u>a) Specify the surface(s) used for the test. Sufficient detail shall be provided in the instructions to specify the structures, hardware, fasteners and mounting system that were used to support the display; or</u> <u>b) Specify the location of mounting brackets/hardware/etc. provided for securement and include language that the relevant hardware and positioning for attaching the display to the building structure must be selected by professional installation staff based on the surface/structure to which the display will be attached. In this case, the integrity of the mounting system may be tested by the</u></p>



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		<p><u>securement test of 33.2.3, but only needs to be conducted using one representative mounting surface.</u></p> <p><u>If the instructions do not specify a mounting surface, the test should be conducted using 3/8-inch (9.5 mm) trade size plaster board securely attached to studs spaced on 16-inch (406 mm) centers.</u></p> <p>Exception: None of the common structures in Section 36, Common North American Structures, have to be tested if the installation instructions define a different type of structure. That structure shall be used to conduct this test.</p>
	Info	<b>INSTRUCTIONS</b>
83	Info	<b>General</b>
		<p>Installation instructions shall specify the hardware used to mount or secure the display to the building structure where applicable. The installation instructions shall specify the method of mounting clearly, including the type and number of fasteners, the mounting surface material and whether the fasteners are intended to rely on studs, anchors or other features of the wall construction.</p>
83.10		<p><u>Exception: Where a single mounting system is used which may accommodate securement to various mounting surfaces/building structures, it is permissible for installation instructions to include language that the relevant hardware and positioning for attaching the display to the building structure must be selected by installation staff based on the surface/structure to which the display will be attached.</u></p>