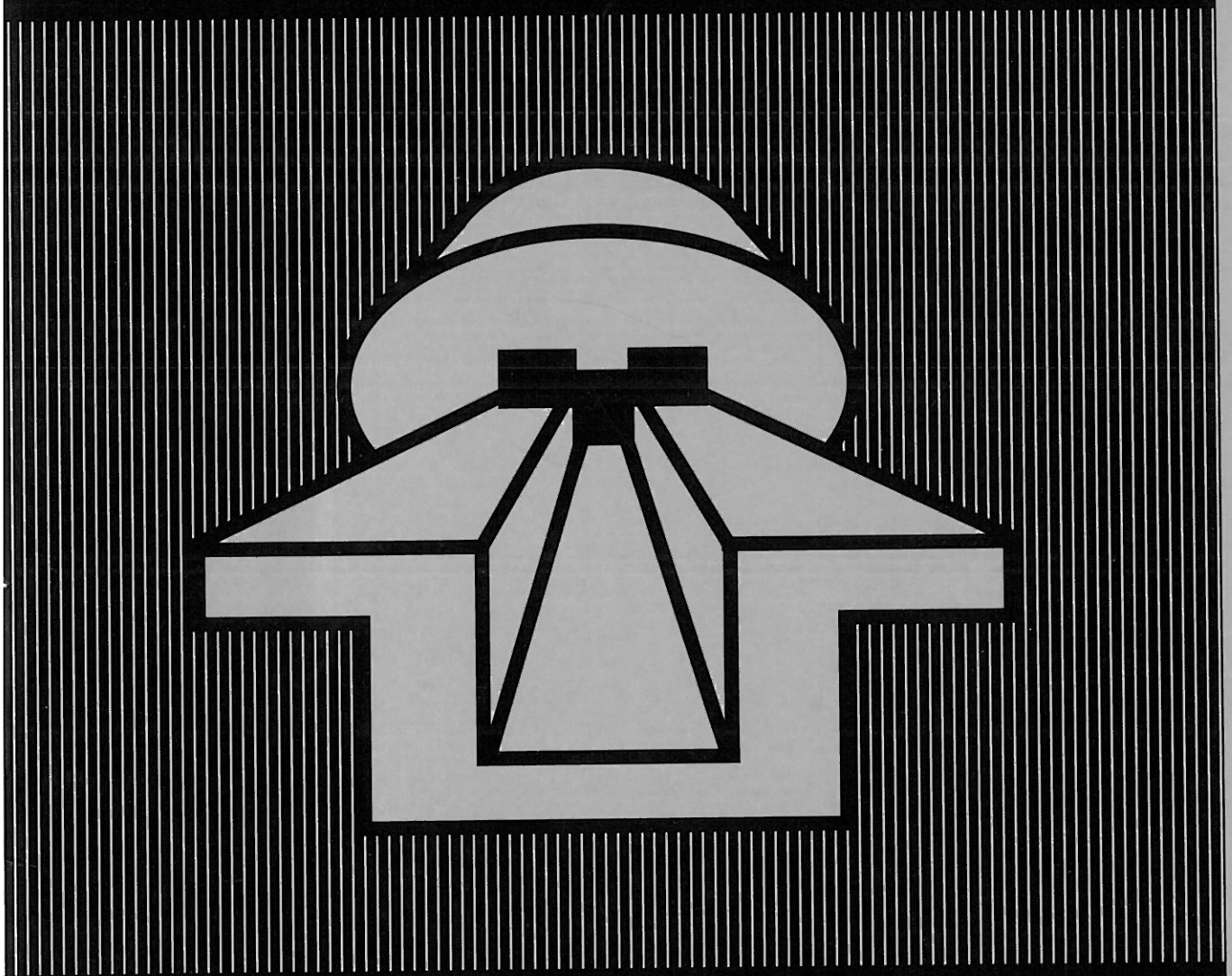
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Visual quality attributes of aluminum extrusions has been compiled by a task group of the technical committee on product standards as a reference for those who have an interest in extruded products and who have an interest in the terminology commonly used in this segment of the aluminum industry.

The terms are arranged alphabetically in the index based on the term noun followed by the appropriate adjective. The preferred terms, obtained by consensus, are defined; other terms for the same condition are cross referenced. In cases where a term has become obsolete, it is given in parenthesis. Readers are encouraged to use the preferred terms.

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