

TERM	DEFINITION
Biological attack	Attack of living organism (mould or insect)
insect	Larva or fully-grown animal which can be considered as an insect
mould	Microscopic fungus growing on material
Colour change	Alteration of an original colour
darkening	Material becoming dark or darker
fading	Loss or gradual disappear of colour and brightness
yellowing	Changing to a yellowish colour
Deformation	Change in the usual shape of an object
dent	Depression in a surface
fold	Angular or rounded shape made by pinching or folding
shrinkage	Material occupies less space than originally
warping	Distorted or bent out of shape
Deposit	All type of solid particle or liquid on a surface
bloom	Whitish deposit with crystalline aspect
dirt	Foreign matter that soils the surface
droplet	Small quantity of liquid
dust	Loose and dry particles accumulating on the surface
stain	Foreign mark which has been transferred to the material
sweating	Liquid seeping out slowly onto the surface
Other	/
abrasion	Area damaged by wear
blister	Small swelling on the surface of an object
break	Separation of an object into pieces or fragments
change in gloss	Surface becoming less shiny than originally
chip	Small part missing from an object surface or edge ; the fragment broken off from the whole
crack	Break without complete separation of the parts
crazing	Development of a thin network of cracks
loss	Piece or part missing
loss of transparency	Transparent matter becoming opaque
peeling	Outer layer coming off in flakes or small pieces
scratch	Mark made by scoring a surface with a sharp or pointed object
tear	Opening made by pulling apart
corrosion	State of deterioration in metal caused by chemical action
Touch	
brittle	Material became weaker hence easily cracked or fractured
crumbly	Apt to break or disintegrate into small fragments or powder
greasy	Oily or waxy to the touch
hardening	Substance that has become firm or stiff
sticky	viscid or adhering surface