

Baldwin Astronomical Optics Paraboloid Checklist

- ___ Test and photograph internal structure for stress.
 - ___ If ok, bevel both edges, rough grind, fine grind and polish back.
 - ___ Sign and serialize back. Serial Number _____
 - ___ Map back for radii and zones.
 - ___ Curve generate front, re-bevel front edge confirm adequately small wedge.
 - Thickness: 0° _____ 90° _____ 180° _____ 270° _____
 - ___ Grind surface with 80, 120, 220, 500, 12 μ , 5 μ and 3 μ .
 - ___ Fixed Post Polish enough to reflect light in astig test and Ronchi test.
 - ___ Astig test.
 - ___ If fail, regrind and work to this point again.
 - ___ Polish whole mirror.
 - ___ Sphere mirror.
 - ___ Astig test. Astig _____ Surface of Revolution _____
 - ___ If fail, regrind from 220 and return up to this point.
 - ___ Parabolize, correct with slit wire test.
 - ___ Confirm Caustic – SIT Test.
 - ___ Mirror done if
 1. SIT/Caustic shows P-V less than 1/10 wave, less than 1/26 wave RMS, and 0.94 or more Strehl,
 2. mirror smooth,
 3. no astig, Optical Diameter _____ R.O.C. _____ f.l. _____
 4. no TDE,
 5. edge cleaned, f# _____ P-V _____ RMS _____ Strehl _____
 6. Star test excellent. $\lambda = 550 \text{ nm}$
 - ___ Photograph focogram, ronchigram, create test data sheet.
 - ___ Clean surface, back mapping and side CeO.
 - ___ Send to aluminizer. _____ Mirror returned.
 - ___ Center mark mirror and check for customer acceptability, adhere sticker.
 - ___ Ship mirror with data sheets, Foucault and Ronchi photos, and this list.
- Sign off mirror _____ Date _____