

# **Polyester Label Material 7871EC**

### **Product Data Sheet**

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#### **Product Description**

3M<sup>™</sup> Polyester Label Material 7871EC is a 50 micron, gloss white polyester labelstock designed for thermal transfer printing. This product utilizes 3M<sup>™</sup> Adhesive 350E, designed to provide excellent adhesion to high and low surface energy plastics, metals, painted metals and powder coatings.

## Product Descriptor / Dispatch Labelling

#### 7871EC 3M TT2 GW PET50-350E/46-65DWG

#### **Physical Properties**

Not for specification purposes (Calipers are nominal values)

| Facestock | 50 micron gloss white polyester                          |
|-----------|--|
| Adhesive  | 46 micron 350E acrylic                                   |
| Liner     | 56 micron, 62 g/m² white densified double-sided glassine |

#### **Key Features**

- Facestock is topcoated for thermal transfer printing. Resin ribbons are recommended for optimum durability. The topcoat also provides improved ink anchorage for traditional forms of press printing
- Polyester facestock provides durability in harsh environments.
- 350E is 3M's most universal labelstock adhesive and offers excellent adhesion, even on low surface energy substrates, combined with excellent temperature and chemical resistance.
- 46 micron adhesive coat weight gives excellent adhesion to textured surfaces
- Densified double-sided glassine liner for consistent die cutting.
  The double-side liner improves ease of dispensing.
- UL and cUL recognized (File Number MH18072)

#### **Application Ideas**

- Barcode labels and rating plates
- Property identification and asset labeling in harsh environments
- Warning, instruction, and service labels for durable goods.

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#### **Performance Characteristics**

Not for specification purposes

Standard Test Conditions are 23°C and 50% Relative Humidity

180° Peel Adhesion tested using FINAT Test Procedure FTM 1 (300mm/min) 90°Peel Adhesion tested using FINAT Test Procedure FTM 2 (300mm/min)

| Adhesion        | 20 Minutes at<br>Standard Conditions |          | _         | urs at<br>Conditions |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------------------|
|                 | 180º Peel                            | 90º Peel | 180º Peel | 90º Peel             |
|                 | N/25mm                               | N/25mm   | N/25mm    | N/25mm               |
| Stainless Steel | 18.9                                 | 17.8     | 26.9      | 24.3                 |
| ABS             | 17.2                                 | 15.8     | 22.8      | 18.1                 |
| Polycarbonate   | 18.2                                 | 17.3     | 23.7      | 18.5                 |
| Polypropylene   | 18.7                                 | 16.7     | 20.7      | 18.2                 |

| Adhesion        | 72 Hours at 70°C    |                    | 72 Hours            | at - 40°C          |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|                 | 180º Peel<br>N/25mm | 90° Peel<br>N/25mm | 180° Peel<br>N/25mm | 90° Peel<br>N/25mm |
| Stainless Steel | 26.4                | 25.9               | 25.4                | 25.8               |
| ABS             | 20.8                | 14.8               | 21.0                | 21.9               |
| Polycarbonate   | 21.6                | 20.1               | 22.2                | 20.8               |
| Polypropylene   | 15.4                | 11.8               | 20.4                | 20.0               |

| Adhesion        | 72 Hours at<br>40°C and 95% RH |          |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------|
|                 | 180º Peel                      | 90º Peel |
|                 | N/25mm                         | N/25mm   |
| Stainless Steel | 26.0                           | 27.6     |
| ABS             | 18.8                           | 20.9     |
| Polycarbonate   | 18.9                           | 15.6     |
| Polypropylene   | 20.5                           | 20.3     |

Liner Release tested using FINAT Test Procedures FTM 3 (180° removal of liner from face material at 300mm/min)

FTM 4 (180° removal of liner from face material at 10m/min)

| Liner<br>Release | Rate of<br>Removal | Release<br>Force | Units   |
|------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------|
| FTM 3            | 300 mm per min     | 18.9             | cN/50mm |
| FTM 4            | 10 m per min       | 9.0              | cN/25mm |

Temperature resistance of label applied to stainless steel. Other substrates should be tested as per application

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|--|--------------|--|
| Service Temperature                                  | -40 to 150°C |  |
|  |              |  |
| Minimum Application                                  | 5°C          |  |
| Temperature  |              |  |

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#### **Processing**

#### **Printing:**

Facestock is topcoated for improved ink receptivity and is designed for thermal transfer printing. Thermal transfer printing with resin ribbons is recommended for optimum durability. The topcoat provides improved ink anchorage for standard roll-processing methods including flexography, letterpress, and screen-printing.

#### Die Cutting:

Rotary die cutting is recommended. Fanfolding of labels is not recommended. Small labels should be evaluated carefully. Winding tensions should be kept at a minimum to help prevent the adhesive from oozing.

#### Packaging:

Finished labels should be stored in plastic bags.

#### **Special Considerations**

For maximum bond strength, the surface should be clean and dry. Isopropyl alcohol is a typical cleaning solvent.

**NOTE:** When using solvents, read and follow the manufacturer's precautions and directions for use.

For best bonding conditions, application surface should be at room temperature or higher. Low temperature surfaces, below 5°C can cause the adhesive to become so firm that it will not develop maximum contact with the substrate. Higher initial bonds can be achieved through increased rubdown pressure.

#### Storage

Store at standard room temperature conditions of 21°C and 50% relative humidity.

#### Shelf Life

24 months from date of dispatch by 3M when stored in the original packaging at 21℃ & 50 % relative humidity

#### For Additional Information

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