



Aluminum Foil Tape 49

Data Sheet

1. Product Description

3M™ Aluminum Foil Tape 49 is a 5 mil nominal dead soft aluminum foil backing combined with a transparent acrylic adhesive.

2. Product Construction

Backing	Adhesive	Color	Std. Roll Length
Dead Soft Aluminum	Acrylic	Shiny Silver	20 ft. (6.1 m)

3. Typical Physical Properties

Property	Typical Value*	ASTM Test Method
Adhesion to Steel	47 oz./in. width (51 N/100 mm)	D-3330
Tensile Strength	30 lbs./in. width (525 N/100 mm)	D-3759
Backing Thickness	2.8 mils (0.07 mm)	D-3652
Total Tape Thickness	4.6 mils (0.12 mm)	D-3652
Elongation at Break	8%	D-3759
Temperature Use Range	-65° to 300°F (-54° to 149°C)	
Water Vapor Transmission Rate	0.1g H ₂ O/100 sq. in./24 hrs. (1.55 g/m ² /24 hrs.)	D-3833
Approximate Weight	0.013 lbs./yd./in. width (4.77 gms/m/24 mm)	

* This data is not to be used for specification. Values listed are for typical properties and should not be considered minimum or maximum.

4. Features

- Flame resistant. Meets U.L. 746C (File E 122798) and 723, Class “L” low flammability rating (File R 7311).
- Can be certified to meet SAE-AMS-T-23397 and L-T-80B.
- Meets requirements of F.A.R. 25.853(a).
- The very low moisture vapor transmission rate makes these tapes a good sealant.
- The acrylic adhesive, combined with the durable aluminum backing, offers ideal properties for long serviceable life in and outdoors.
- Good candidate as a maskant in electroplating of aluminum because it will not contaminate the bath.
- Aluminum backing provides excellent reflection of both heat and light.
- Best results obtained when applied to a clean, dry surface above 32°F (0°C).

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5. Application Ideas

- Provide EMI and moisture protection on communications cable splices.
- Aircraft paint stripping maskant.
- Moisture barrier in “white goods” appliances.
- General purpose heat reflector and heat dissipator.
- Mechanically hold wires and cooling coils in “white goods” appliances.
- Repair tears on truck trailers and aircraft.
- Splicing of thin gauge foils.
- General purpose holding, patching, sealing applications – indoors and out.

6. Storage and Shelf Life

Store under normal conditions of 60° to 80°F (16° to 27°C) and 40 to 60% R.H. in the original carton. To obtain best performance, use this product within 24 months from date of manufacture.

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