



Heavy Duty Aluminum Foil Tape

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Technical Data

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Product Description A 5 mil aluminum foil tape with a transparent acrylic adhesive to use when a heavier weight foil (than 425 tape) is required.

Construction	Backing	Adhesive	Color	Standard Roll Length
	Aluminum foil	Acrylic	Shiny silver	60 yds. (55 m)

Typical Physical Properties and Performance Characteristics

Note: The following technical information and data should be considered representative or typical only and should not be used for specification purposes.

		ASTM Test Method
Adhesion to Steel:	43 oz./in. width (47 N/100 mm)	D-3330
Tensile Strength:	59 lbs./in. width (1033 N/100 mm)	D-3759
Backing Thickness:	5 mils (.13 mm)	D-3652
Tape Thickness:	7.2 mils (.18 mm)	D-3652
Elongation at Break:	10%	D-3759
Water Vapor Transmission Rate:	.1g H ₂ O/100 sq. in./24 hrs. (1.55 g/m ² /24 hrs.)	
Weight:	.0217 lbs./yd./in./width (.0109 kg/m/24 mm)	

General Information

- For applications requiring greater thickness than 425 tape.
- Meets UL 723 specification for class L low flammability.
- Foil backing provides an excellent reflective surface for both heat and light.
- Aluminum foil backing and acrylic adhesive system combine to offer long aging both indoors and out.
- The high coefficient of expansion offered by the aluminum allows expansion and contraction with changes in temperatures, along with thermal conductivity.
- Performs in a range from -65°F to over 300°F (-54°C to 149°C). Higher temperatures for shorter periods of time.
- Store in a clean, dry place at 60-80°F (15-27°C) and 40-50% relative humidity no longer than 24 months from date of manufacture.

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Application Ideas

- Barrier, protector and thermal conductor in appliance (electronics) industry.
- Use when customer specification calls for a 5 mil (.13 mm) foil as a barrier for vinyl coated wires in many applications in appliance industry.
- Patch tears in skins of aircraft and truck trailers.

Features

- 5 mil (.13 mm) aluminum foil backing

- Acrylic adhesive

Advantages

- Heavy Protection
Heavier than many foil backings

- Heat reflective

- Non-flammable
Meets U.L. 723 class L

- Long aging

Benefits

- Helps protect parts from water, dust and chemical damage

- Helps protect parts from heat

- Will not aid combustion

- Helps reduce replacement cost

For Additional Information

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