AUTOFLEX EB XM

Product Data Sheet

Hardcoated Polyester Film



DESCRIPTION

Autoflex EBG XM and EBA XM are hardcoated polyester* films, in gloss and antiglare finishes.

The products are variants of Autoflex EB offering superior cosmetics - suitable for metallisation. The product consists of a high-quality base polyester and an embossable, texturable, chemically bonded UV-cured hard surface coating in gloss finish

Autoflex EB XM is available in sheets and rolls.







PRODUCT RANGE

| Product | Finish | Version |
|--|-----------|------------|
| Autoflex EB XM with 0-series ink primer for solvent based screen printing inks | Gloss | EBG180L XM |
| | Antiglare | EBA180L XM |

PRIMER

Autoflex EB XM has an ink adhesion primer on the second surface:

The standard 0-series ink-receptive coating for solvent based screen printing inks. The primer has also been used successfully with some digital UV inkjet printers. Please contact MacDermid Autotype for more information.





LAMINATE

Polyester films with high gloss surfaces are prone to blocking when stored with the film surfaces touching each other. Blocking is the term given when two surfaces adhere or merge into each other and when separated leave permanent marks on the film. MacDermid Autotype supply the **Autoflex EB XM** film range with a protective laminate on the ink primer surface and recommend that the laminate remains in place until the first ink print pass.

TEXTURES

Autoflex EB XM can be screen printed on the hardcoat surface with Fototex to obtain selective textures (see Fototex Product Data Sheet).

TYPICAL PROPERTIES

| Property | Autoflex EB XM | Test Method |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Haze ¹ | | ASTM D1003 |
| Gloss | < 2% | |
| Antiglare | 9.8% ±3% | |
| Total luminous transmission ¹ | 91% ± 2% | ASTM D1003 |
| Gloss level (60°) ¹ | | ASTM D2457 (modified |
| Gloss | 96 ± 2 GU | to test method 022) |
| Antiglare | 50 ± 5 GU | |
| Yellowness index ³ | < 3.5 | ASTM E313 |
| Taber abrasion ¹ | | Test method 103 |
| Gloss | < 5% | |
| Antiglare | N/A | |
| Hardcoat Adhesion ³ | Pass | Test method 080 |
| Switch life ¹ | >5 million actuations | Test method 003 |
| Pencil hardness 1,4 | 2 - 3H | Test method 058 |
| Tensile strength at break ² | 137 – 167 MPa | JIS C-2318 |
| Dimensional stability ³ | 0.2% @ 120° MD max shrinkage | Test method 094 |
| Thicknesses ² | Nominal ± 10% | |
| Maximum processing temp | 120°C | - |
| Maximum use temp ¹ | Low humidity (<10%RH) 85°C | Test method 012 |
| | High humidity (10-95%RH) 60°C | |
| Minimum use temp ¹ | -40°C (-40°F) | Test method 012 |
| | Alcohols | 23 °C / 24 hour |
| | Esters | spot test |
| Chemical resistance ¹ | Hydrocarbons | |
| Crieniicai resistance | Dilute Acids and Alkalis | |
| | Household Cleaning agents | 00.00 / 4 1 |
| | Ketones ³ | 23 °C / 1 hour spot test |



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Note – performance characteristics may be subject to change.

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¹For details of test method, please contact MacDermid Autotype

² Data derived from base film manufacturer's literature

³ Specification value

⁴ For more information, please refer to MacDermid Autotype statement on pencil hardness testing

^{*} The term polyester is the generic term for a number of different polymers, of which polyethylene terephthalate (PET) is the most common. PET is used in MacDermid Autotype High Performance Film Systems polyester film products.

