



# PTFE Skived Film Tape

5480 • 5481

## Technical Data

**Product Description** 3M™ PTFE Skived Film Tape 5480 and 5481 has a film backing with a silicone adhesive.

Product Construction	Backing	Adhesive	Color	Standard Roll Length
	Skived PTFE (polytetrafluoroethylene)	Silicone	Gray	36 yds. (32.9 m)

**Typical Physical Properties** **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
<b>3M tape 5480</b>			
Adhesion to Steel:	20 oz./in. width (22 N/100 mm)		D-3330
Tensile Strength:	27 lbs./in. width (473 N/100 mm)		D-3759
Elongation at Break:	140%		D-3759
Backing Thickness:	2.0 mils (0.05 mm)		D-3652
Total Tape Thickness:	3.7 mils (0.09 mm)		D-3652
Temperature Use Range:	-65° to 400°F (-54° to 204°C)		
<b>3M tape 5481</b>			
Adhesion to Steel:	32 oz./in. width (35 N/100 mm)		D-3330
Tensile Strength:	49 lbs./in. width (858 N/100 mm)		D-3759
Elongation at Break:	335%		D-3759
Backing Thickness:	5.0 mils (0.13 mm)		D-3652
Total Tape Thickness:	6.8 mils (0.17 mm)		D-3652
Temperature Use Range:	-65° to 400°F (-54° to 204°C)		

## Features

- Skived film tapes demonstrate good conformability when wrapping rollers.
- Provides excellent chemical resistance except to organic solvents. **Note:** The silicone adhesive will be attacked by commercial organic solvents and so are not recommended for applications requiring organic resistance.
- To help prevent wrinkling or bubbling of the backing on PTFE film tapes when they are subjected to temperatures above 250°F (121°C), pre-heat the surface to at least 150°F (66°C) (preferred 180°F, 82°C) to obtain best results.

**CAUTION:** When PTFE film tape is exposed to temperatures above 400°F (204°C), small quantities of hazardous vapors may be released. **INHALATION OF THESE VAPORS MAY BE HARMFUL OR MAY CAUSE RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION.** Do not heat or expose PTFE film tape to temperatures above 400°F (204°C).

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## Application Ideas

- Wrapping rubber laminating rollers on hot polyethylene extruders to create a release surface to help minimize clean-up.
- Easy-release surface provided by wrapping rollers, plates, belts, etc. where build-up of sticky materials and inks can occur.
- Chemical resistant surface for sealing and masking.

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## Storage

Store under normal conditions of 60° to 80°F (16° to 27°C) and 40 to 60% R.H. in the original carton.

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## Shelf Life

To obtain best performance, use this product within 12 months from date of manufacture.

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## Product Use

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