



BRADY B-486 THERMAL TRANSFER PRINTABLE METALLIZED POLYESTER LABEL STOCK

TDS No. B-486
Effective Date: 06/05/2014

Description:

GENERAL

Print Technology: Thermal Transfer

Material Type: Metallized Polyester

Finish: Matte, light gray appearance

Adhesive: Permanent rubber-based

APPLICATIONS

Rating and serial plates that utilize barcodes, alphanumerics, graphic symbols and logos and require nameplate-like quality.

RECOMMENDED RIBBONS

Brady Series R4300

Brady Series R6200 (alternate)

REGULATORY/AGENCY APPROVALS

UL: B-486 is a UL Recognized Component to UL Labeling and Marking Standard when printed with Brady Series R4300 Ribbon. See UL file MH17154 for specific details. UL information can be accessed online at UL.com. Search in *Certifications* area.

CSA: B-486 is a CSA Accepted to C22.2 No.0.15-95 Adhesive Labels Standard when printed with the Brady Series R4300 or R6200 black thermal transfer ribbons. See CSA file 041833 for specific details. CSA information can be accessed online at directories.csa-international.org.

Brady B-486 is RoHS compliant to 2005/618/EC MCV amendment to RoHS Directive 2002/95/EC.

SPECIAL FEATURES

B-486 is designed for high adhesion to textured metals, powder coated surfaces and low surface energy plastics. B-486 can withstand numerous solvents and variable temperatures when applied to various surfaces.

Details:

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	TEST METHODS	AVERAGE RESULTS
Thickness	ASTM D 1000 -Total (substrate and adhesive)	0.0053 inch (0.135 mm)
Adhesion to:	ASTM D 1000	
-Stainless Steel	20 minute dwell 24 hour dwell	128 oz/in (140 N/100 mm) 146 oz/in (160 N/100 mm)
-Textured ABS	20 minute dwell 24 hour dwell	45 oz/in (49 N/100 mm) 43 oz/in (47 N/100 mm)
-Polypropylene	20 minute dwell 24 hour dwell	80 oz/in (88 N/100 mm) 108 oz/in (119 N/100 mm)
-Painted Enamel	20 minute dwell 24 hour dwell	133 oz/in (146 N/100 mm) 142 oz/in (156 N/100 mm)
-Powder Coated Metal	20 minute dwell 24 hour dwell	78 oz/in (86 N/100 mm) 78 oz/in (86 N/100 mm)
Tack	ASTM D 2979 Polyken™ Probe Tack 0.5 second dwell	Greater than 24.7 oz (700 g)
Tensile Strength and Elongation	ASTM D 1000 -Machine Direction	59 lbs/in (1033 N/100mm), 5%

Performance properties tested on B-486 printed with alphanumerics, and a 5 mil and 10 mil minimum X dimension barcode using Series R4300 and R6200 ribbons and a BradyPrinter™ THT 300X Thermal Transfer Printer. Printed samples of B-486 were laminated to aluminum before exposure to the indicated environmental condition. Results the same for both ribbons unless noted otherwise.

PERFORMANCE PROPERTIES	TEST METHODS	TYPICAL RESULTS
Long Term High Service Temperature	30 days at 248F (120C)	No visible effect
Long Term Low Service Temperature	30 days at -40F (-40C)	No visible effect
Humidity Resistance	30 days at 100F (37C), 95% R.H.	No visible effect
UV Light Resistance	30 days in UV Sunlighter™ 100	No visible effect
Weatherability	ASTM G155, Cycle 1 30 days in Xenon Arc Weatherometer	No visible effect
Salt Fog Resistance	ASTM B 117 30 days in 5% salt fog solution chamber	No visible effect
Abrasion Resistance	Taber Abraser, CS-10 grinding wheels, (Fed.Std.191A, Method 5306) 500g/arm, 100 cycles	Print still legible after 100 cycles

PERFORMANCE PROPERTY	CHEMICAL RESISTANCE
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Samples were printed with R4300 ribbon using Brady 300X printer, laminated to flat aluminum panels and allowed to dwell 24 hours prior to test. Testing consisted of 5 cycles of 10 minute immersions in the specified chemical followed by 30 minute recovery periods. After the final immersion the flat samples were rubbed 10 times with cotton swabs. Testing was conducted at room temperature.

CHEMICAL REAGENT	SUBJECTIVE OBSERVATION OF VISUAL CHANGE	
	EFFECT UPON IMMERSION	EFFECT AFTER COTTON SWAB RUB
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	No visible effect	Slight smear when rubbed
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	No visible effect	Moderate smear when rubbed
Toluene	No visible effect	Moderate smear when rubbed
Freon® TMS	No visible effect	Slight smear when rubbed
Isopropyl Alcohol	No visible effect	No visible effect
Mineral Spirits	No visible effect	Slight smear when rubbed
JP-8 Jet Fuel	No visible effect	Moderate smear when rubbed
ASTM #3 Oil	No visible effect	No visible effect
Mil 5606 Oil	No visible effect	No visible effect
Skydrol® 500B-4	No visible effect	Slight smear when rubbed
Super Agitene®	No visible effect	No visible effect
Deionized Water	No visible effect	No visible effect
3% Alconox® Detergent	No visible effect	No visible effect
10% Sodium Hydroxide Solution	No visible effect	No visible effect
10% Sulfuric Acid Solution	No visible effect	No visible effect

Samples were printed with R6200 ribbon using a Brady 300X printer, laminated to flat aluminum panels and allowed to dwell 24 hours prior to test. Testing consisted of 5 cycles of 10 minute immersions in the specified chemical followed by 30 minute recovery periods. After the final immersion the flat samples were rubbed 10 times with cotton swabs. Testing was conducted at room temperature.

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Shelf Life:

Two years when stored in its original packaging in an environment below 80°F (27°C) and 60%RH.

Trademarks:

ASTM: American Society for Testing and Materials (U.S.A.)
CSA: Canadian Standards Association
SAE: Society of Automotive Engineers (U.S.A.)
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Note: All values shown are averages and should not be used for specification purposes.

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