

PERFORMANCE GUIDE

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Face Description

A durable **high sensitivity** direct thermal polypropylene film for use in **high-speed** thermal printers. Synthetic substrate exhibits good environmental resistance.

Test Property	Typical Values	Test Method
Basis Weight 17x22 /500	18.6 #	TAPPI T410
Caliper, inches	0.00320 +/- 10%	TAPPI T411
Brightness %	89% Avg.	TAPPI T525
Smoothness, Bekk test	3000 sec Avg.	TAPPI T479
Image Color	Black	
Initial Activation Temp (O.D.=0.2)		158 \pm 9°F (70 \pm 5°C)
Effective Activation Temp (O.D.=0.8)		185 \pm 9°F (85 \pm 5°C)
Optimum Activation Temp (O.D.=1.4)		230 \pm 9°F (110 \pm 5°C)
Resistance to Oils		Excellent
Resistance to Plasticizers		Good
Image Retention in Water (15 hr non-abrasive)		Good
Wet Rub Image Retention		Good

Adhesive Description ST-95

ST95 is a permanent acrylic emulsion with aggressive initial tack, excellent ultimate adhesion, and mandrel hold. Very good adhesion to corrugated, glass, and various plastic substrates. Considered to be latex glove friendly for use in some healthcare applications.

Test Property	Typical Values	Test Method
Caliper, inches	0.0007 +/- 10%	
Min Application	25°F (-4°C)	
Service range	-75 to 200°F (-60°C to 93°C)	
Average Peel Adhesion Stainless Steel	2.2/lbs/inch	PSTC-101/Method A
30 minutes applied/180° angle		Mactac CTM8
Loop Tack g/1"	3 lbs./sq. inch	PSTC-16/Method A
		Mactac CTM25

When comparing values, keep in mind, other suppliers may use different testing methods.

Liner Description

A semi-bleached, super calendared kraft liner excellent for die cutting and stripping. The liner release system is designed specifically for label dispensing. Primarily for roll-to-roll applications.

Test Property	Typical Values	Test Method
Caliper	0.0024+/- 10%	TAPPI T411
Basis Weight	40 +/- 10%	TAPPI T410

Applications

Used for barcode and human readable labels in retail, healthcare, and industrial markets where a film face is needed. Recommended for use in **standard speed** thermal printers.

Shelf Life

One year when stored at 72°F and 50% RH. For more about Direct Thermal Storage, see the Technical Bulletin for Direct Thermal Storage at www.mactac.com.

Note: The user is responsible for determining the product's suitability for all aspects of the application. If there are any questions about applications, regulatory compliances, please contact your MACtac sales representative to discuss your requirements for recommendations. If this is a printed Performance Guide, it is an uncontrolled document. Please check the MACtac website for the latest, most up-to-date version at www.mactac.com

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