Technical Data

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3M[™] Optically Clear Laminating Adhesive 8146-3

Product Description

3M[™] Optically Clear Laminating Adhesives:

8146-3 75 μm (3 mil) optically clear laminating adhesive for bonding smooth, transparent substrates.

Construction

Product	3M™ Optically Clear Laminating Adhesive 8146-3
Adhesive Type :	Acrylic
Adhesive Carrier:	None
Approximate Thickness:	
Release Liner	75 μm (3.0 mils) Polyester
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Haze :

Haze was measured according to ASTM D1003-92.

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Haze	< 1 %

Typical Physical Properties and Performance Characteristics

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Refractive Index :

(± 0.0005 measured for Sodium D line @ 25°C)

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Peel Adhesion :

ASTM D3330 Modified, 180 degree peel, 12 in./min. (305 mm/min) 1 mil polyester backing to various surfaces.

	Substrate	3M™ Optically Clear Laminating Adhesive 8146-3
Initial (20 minute dwell)	PMMA	48 N/100mm (44 oz/in)
	PC	51 N/100mm (47 oz/in)
	Glass	58 N/100mm (54 oz/in)

Shear Adhesion :

ASTM D-3657

¹/₂" x 1" Overlap, minutes to failure.

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Heat Aged 1000 gram, stainless steel	> 10,000



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Typical Physical Properties and Performance Characteristics (continued)

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Chemical Resistance :

When properly applied, 3MTM Optically Clear Laminating Adhesives can withstand splashes of numerous chemicals Including acetone, isopropyl alcohol and cleaners.

Water Resistance :

Immersion in water has no appreciable effect on the bond Strength at room temperature.

Relative Temperature Resistance :

Short Term High Temperature177°CLong Term High Temperature85°CLong Term Low Temperature-40°C

Shelf Life :

Product retains its performance and properties for two years from date of manufacture if properly stored at room temperature conditions of 72° F (22° C) and 50% relative humidity. Storage in a plastic bag is recommended.

Application Techniques

For maximum bond strength the surface should be thoroughly cleaned and dried. To obtain greatest benefit, laminations should be done in the cleanest environment possible with static charge elimination.

Bond strength can be improved with firm application pressure and moderate heat causing the adhesive to develop intimate contact with the bonding surface.

General Information

- Light transmission >99% when corrected for reflection losses
- Free of birefringence with no film carrier.
- Can be used with bare ITO.
- Anti-whitening at high temperature/humidity.
- High temperature, humidity and UV resistance.
- Long term durability without yellowing, delaminating or degradation.
- High cohesive and peel strength for reliably bonding most transparent substrates.
- 3MTM Optically Clear Laminating Adhesive 8146-3 is coated and converted in a clean room.
- 3MTM optically clear adhesives are inspected to reduce the occurrence of bubbles, dirt, gels and other optical distortions.
- Wound on plastic cores and wrapped in plastic to eliminate paper fiber contamination.
- Two film liners for optimum adhesive smoothness and differential release for ease of processing and protection from contamination.

Application Ideas

- Touchscreens for bonding film and glass laminate.
- Transparent graphic overlays.
- Projection screens.
- Avionics/military displays.
- Optical management films for LCD.

Processing :

Laminating

Recommended nip roll or roller platen press type laminator to maintain optical aesthetics when laminated. Hand Lamination not advised. Use best process control standards Possible to control variables. (See **3M Laminating Technical Bulletin** for additional information)

Die Cutting

Use high precision, tight tolerance tooling designed to cleanly cut film and pressure-sensitive adhesive.



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Important Notices

Before using this product, you must evaluate it and determine if it is suitable for your intended application. You assume all risks and liability associated with such use.

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