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Standard Specification for Vinyl Chloride Plastic Pressure-Sensitive Electrical Insulating Tape¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers electrical insulating tape consisting of a flexible backing made from vinyl chloride plastic coated on one side with a pressure-sensitive adhesive.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are the standard. The values given in parentheses are provided for information purposes only.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

D1000 Test Methods for Pressure-Sensitive Adhesive-Coated Tapes Used for Electrical and Electronic Applications D1711 Terminology Relating to Electrical Insulation

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions—For definitions of terms in this specification, refer to Terminology D1711.

4. Classification

4.1 This specification covers two types as follows:

4.1.1 Type I-General-purpose tape, nominal thickness 0.18 mm (0.007 in.).

4.1.2 Type II—General-purpose tape, nominal thickness 0.25 mm (0.010 in.).

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 The backing shall be polyvinyl chloride plastic suitably compounded to meet the requirements of this specification. The backing shall be smooth and uniform. However, fish eyes shall not be cause for rejection. The tape edges shall be straight and unbroken.

5.2 The pressure-sensitive adhesive coating shall be smooth and uniform and as free from lumps and bare spots as the best commercial practice will permit. There shall be no adhesive transfer when the tape is unwound from the roll.

5.3 Black plastic backing shall be considered standard. Other colors, opaque or transparent, are acceptable when specified.

6. Requirements

6.1 The tape shall meet the requirements given in Table 1 for the type specified.

7. Standard Rolls

7.1 The standard widths and lengths shall be selected from the following: 7.1.1 *Widths*:

mm	in.	mm	in.
6	1/4	22	7/8
9	3/8	25	1
12	1/2	30	11/4
15	5/8	38	11/2
19	3⁄4	50	2

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