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3M™ Dual Lock™ Reclosable Fastener SJ3550CF

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Product Description

3M™ Dual Lock™ Reclosable Fasteners are positive locking, hidden fasteners designed for use in a variety of attachment solutions. They consist of continuous strips of polyolefin stems with a mushroom shaped top protruding up from the backing. When snapped together the mushroom shaped caps interlock producing a strong reliable Fastener.

The standard Dual Lock fasteners are available in three different stem densities (170, 250 and 400) referring to the approximate number of stems per square inch. (26, 39, 62 stems per square centimeter) By inter-locking different stem density combinations you can create the strength that suits your application; more total stems give higher strength. The Dual Lock Reclosable fasteners can be mated in the following combinations of increasing closure strength: Type 170 to Type 250, Type 170 to Type 400, Type 250 to Type 250 and Type 250 to Type 400. We do not recommend using the Type 170 to 170 because it does not have enough strength for a good connection. We do not recommend using the Type 400 to 400 because it is too strong and may cause stems and heads to rip out rendering the fastener no longer reclosable.

The Dual Lock Low Profile has one stem density of approximately 705 stems per square inch and they interlock to themselves. The low profile products are not intended to mate to the standard size Dual Lock.

There are a variety of pressure sensitive adhesives available with Dual Lock to cover most application needs. The pressure sensitive adhesive makes the Dual Lock easy to use, simply remove the liner, place the Dual Lock and apply firm consistent pressure to assure good contact with the substrate you are adhering. We also offer non-adhesive backed Dual Lock for applications where the PSA does not meet your needs.

Product Features

- **Easy Alignment:** Dual Lock fasteners engage in any direction or position. The mushroom stems slide into position until they are engaged by snapping together applying firm pressure, this eliminates concerns about misalignment or spontaneous engagement.
- **Positive Locking:** Dual Lock fasteners engage/fasten with an audible snap and detectable movement assuring complete and secure closure.
- **Reclosability:** Dual Lock fasteners can be opened and closed for multiple closure applications (high cycle life).
- **Blind Attachment:** Dual Lock fasteners can be attached on the backside of substrate (i.e. trim piece) where it will not interrupt the show surface.
- **Rattle-Free:** Dual Lock fasteners will not rattle loose.
- **Ease of Assembly:** Dual Lock fasteners can be used to attach components before they enter the final assembly plant, reducing the number of parts and the assembly time. No tools are required.
- **Adjustable Strength:** By selecting different combinations of the various stem densities of the Dual Lock the fastener can be designed to meet the strength needs of the designer.
- **Product Forms:** Dual Lock fasteners come in a variety of forms: Backed with Pressure Sensitive adhesive, Non-woven, Rigid backed, Die Cut Shapes, and low profile.
- **Attachment Methods:** The wide varieties of Dual Lock fasteners allow a design engineer flexibility to be able use and attach Dual Lock to just about any substrate or application. Peel and stick pressure sensitive adhesive backed is quick and easy yet strong and secure. Non-woven backed can be used with a variety of adhesive choices such as hot melt, liquid, epoxies, sealants, etc. We have parts that can be attached with a screw or rivet; rigid and plain backed for developing your own special device.

General Information

Pressure Sensitive Adhesive backed product





Product Family: Acrylic PSA VHB firm type backing for medium to high surface energy attachment

Technical Information Note

The following technical information and data should be considered representative or typical only and should not be used for specification purposes.

Typical Physical Properties

Property	Values	Additional Information
Adhesive Type	Acrylic	

Liner	Silicone treated Polyolefin with Red printing	
Liner Thickness	0.1 mm	
Color	Black	
Liner Color	Clear	View 
Test Name: Primary		
Color	Clear	View 
Test Name: Cured		
Thickness	3.51 mm	
Thickness	138 mil	
Engaged Thickness (mil)	226 mil	View 
Notes:	Thickness depends upon the amount of compression load on the pieces.	
Engaged Thickness (mm)	5.74 mm	View 
Notes:	Thickness depends upon the amount of compression load on the pieces.	
Stems	39 Stems/cm ²	
Stems	250 Stems/in ²	
Liner Thickness	4 mil	

Typical Performance Characteristics

Property	Values	Additional Information
Long Term Temperature Resistance	104 °C	
Long Term Temperature Resistance	220 °F	

Note










The following technical information and data is intended as a guideline to assist customers in selecting 3M™ Reclosable Fasteners for further evaluation. This technical information is not product release specifications or standards. Unless stated differently, the typical system performance and product properties were obtained using specific test methods under controlled laboratory conditions of 72°F ± 5°F and 50% ± 10% relative humidity. The user is responsible for evaluating 3M reclosable fasteners under expected use conditions to ensure suitable performance for the intended application.

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These are typical values which were gathered from testing the PSA backed materials. Similar values can be expected when the Dual Lock is held securely in a rigid fashion.

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Tests were run at 12 inches per minute

Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	9 N/cm ²	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 250		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	13 lb/in ²	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 250		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	14.5 N/cm ²	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 400		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	21 lb/in ²	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 400		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	15.2 N/cm ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 250		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	22 lb/in ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 250		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	21.4 N/cm ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 400		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	31 lb/in ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 400		
Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	18.5 N/cm ²	View 


Substrate: Low Profile to Low Profile

Dynamic Tensile (Engage)	27 lb/in ²	View 
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Substrate: Low Profile to Low Profile

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	18.5 N/cm ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 250

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	27 lb/in ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 250

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	29.6 N/cm ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 400

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	43 lb/in ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 400

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	29.6 N/cm ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 250 to 250

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	43 lb/in ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 250 to 250

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	41.4 N/cm ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 250 to 400

Dynamic Tensile (Disengage)	60 lb/in ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 250 to 400

Overlap Shear Strength	9.8 N/cm ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 250

Overlap Shear Strength	14 lb/in ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 250

Overlap Shear Strength	14.5 N/cm ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 400

Overlap Shear Strength	21 lb/in ²	View 
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Substrate: Type 170 to 400

Overlap Shear Strength	15 N/cm ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 250		
Overlap Shear Strength	22 lb/in ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 250		
Overlap Shear Strength	41.3 N/cm ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 400		
Overlap Shear Strength	59 lb/in ²	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 400		
Cleavage Strength	21 N/cm	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 250		
Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed		
Cleavage Strength	12 lb/in width	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 250		
Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed		
Cleavage Strength	35 N/cm	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 400		
Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed		
Cleavage Strength	20 lb/in width	View 
Substrate: Type 170 to 400		
Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed		
Cleavage Strength	42 N/cm	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 250		
Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed		
Cleavage Strength	24 lb/in width	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 250		
Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed		
Cleavage Strength	56 N/cm	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 400		
Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed		
Cleavage Strength	32 lb/in width	


View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 400

Notes: Rigid backed from Rigid backed

T-Peel Adhesion

1.2 N/cm

View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 250

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

T-Peel Adhesion

0.7 lb/in width


View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 250

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

T-Peel Adhesion

2.5 N/cm

View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 400

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

T-Peel Adhesion

1.4 lb/in width


View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 400

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

T-Peel Adhesion

3.3 N/cm

View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 250

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

T-Peel Adhesion

1.9 lb/in width

View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 250

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

T-Peel Adhesion

2.6 N/cm

View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 400

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

T-Peel Adhesion

1.5 lb/in width

View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 400

Notes: Flexible from Flexible

90° Peel Adhesion

3.2 N/cm

View Substrate: Type 170 to 250
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

90° Peel Adhesion

1.8 lb/in width


View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 250
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

90° Peel Adhesion

5.4 N/cm

View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 400
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

90° Peel Adhesion

3.1 lb/in width

View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 400
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

90° Peel Adhesion

8.1 N/cm

View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 250
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

90° Peel Adhesion

4.1 lb/in width


View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 250
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

90° Peel Adhesion

8.1 N/cm

View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 400
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

90° Peel Adhesion

4.6 lb/in width


View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 400
Backing: Flexible from Rigid

Notes: 12 in/min (300 mm/min)

Cycle Life

1000

View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 250

Notes: Number of closures before losing 50% of original strength

Cycle Life

1000

View 

Substrate: Type 170 to 400

Notes: Number of closures before losing 50% of original strength



Cycle Life

1000

View 

Substrate: Type 250 to 250

Notes: Number of closures before losing 50% of original strength

Cycle Life	1000	View 
Substrate: Type 250 to 400		
Notes: Number of closures before losing 50% of original strength		
Product Performance		View 

Notes: This guide should assist you in determining which product will adhere best to your substrate for.

Design Considerations

- As a general rule, four square inches of fastener area per pound of static tensile or shear load to be supported is suggested as a starting point for evaluation. More or less area may be needed depending on specific conditions or end use applications. Type 250 Dual Lock Reclosable fasteners less than 0.75" (19 mm) width should not be engaged to other type 250 Dual Lock Reclosable fastener as low disengagement values may occur.
- Whenever possible design one side of the Dual Lock reclosable fasteners to be larger than the mating side. This will allow for variability or mismatch in Dual lock alignment positions, and ensure 100% fastening area contact. Another approach would be to design two rectangular shaped fastener pieces so that they can be engaged in a cross web/perpendicular pattern (crossed).
- Dual Lock strength is proportional to the fastening contact area, and the number of stems in combination used. More stems and more Dual Lock used gives you more strength, less stems combined and using less Dual Lock will give you less strength.
- Dual Lock disengagement strength/performance is strongest in direct tensile. Peel/cleavage mode is where it is most easily removed.
- Final product performance depends upon a combination of factors: the substrate and its surface characteristics, the fastener selected, the application method and conditions, the time and environmental conditions required for the application. Because these factors are unique to each application, the user must evaluate Dual Lock and do any testing required to determine Dual Lock's suitability for the user's desired end use.

Storage and Shelf Life

To obtain best performance, use this product within 24 months from date of manufacture.

Bottom Matter

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