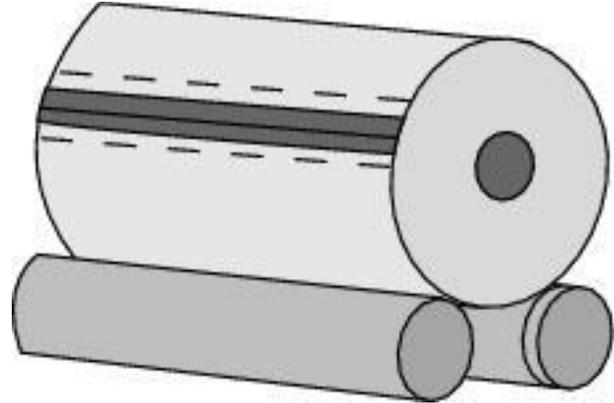
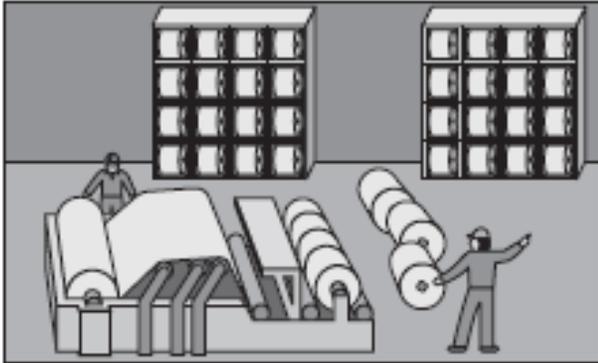


# 3M Application Profile #8

**Market:** Web Processing in Paper Mills and Paper Converters

**Application Description:** Butt Splices at Twin Drum Winder



## Key Application Requirements

Butt splices are recommended for splices which have caliper restrictions in downstream paper processing operations.

## Advantages/Benefits to Customer

*High shear strength:* 3M™ Printable Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 9103 uses a firm adhesive that will not slip at high web tensions, potentially leaving exposed adhesive. This helps reduce web breakage caused by adhesive “blocking.”

*Heat resistant:* Withstands high oven temperatures typically associated with web printing, which helps reduce down time due to splice failure.

*Fewer tapes:* No application tape is required on the drum.

*Repulpable:* Both 3M tape and white liner pass TAPPI method UM-213. No need to separate splice from waste.

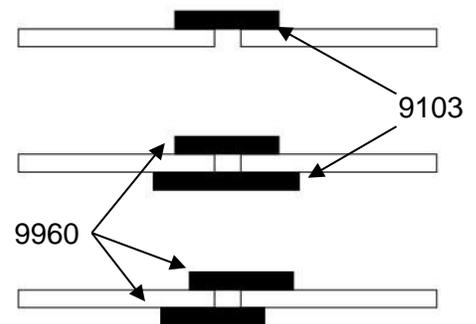
*FDA compliant adhesive:* Tape can be used on most food grade papers.

## Application Method

By hand.

## RECOMMENDED PRODUCT

3M™ Printable Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 9103 with cover tape such as 3M™ Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 9960



## Process

Half of the 3M™ Printable Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 9103 is placed under the edge of paper at the point where the defect was removed (adhesive side up). The leading edge of paper from the next roll of paper is then pressed on top of the remaining half of the 3M tape adhesive forming a butt splice. The excess paper is removed and the seam covered with a repulpable cover tape.

## Key Decision Makers

Production Managers and Supervisors  
Finishing Superintendents  
Quality Manager  
Purchasing

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## Related Splicing Tapes

Product	Paper Type	Caliper mils (mm)	Color	FDA* Compliant
3M™ Printable Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 9103	Coated and uncoated	4.5 (0.11)	Blue	yes
3M™ Thin Printable Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 9960	Coated and uncoated	2.2 (0.06)	Blue	yes
3M™ Thin Printabel Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 9969	Coated and uncoated	2.2 (0.06)	Blue or white	yes
3M™ Repulpable Single Coated Splicing Tape 901	Uncoated	4.0 (0.10)	White paper green adhesive	no

\* All components of the adhesive and backing meet the requirements of indirect food additive regulations as described under CFR 21 176.170 (Components of paper and paperboards in contact with aqueous and fatty food) and 21 CFR 176.180 (Components of paper and paperboards in contact with dry foods).

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