3M™ Electrically Conductive Adhesive Transfer Tape 9709SL

Product Description
3M™ Electrically Conductive Adhesive Transfer Tape 9709SL is an XYZ-electrically conductive pressure sensitive adhesive (PSA) conductive tape. 3M tape 9709SL consists of a unique conductive matrix (highly loaded silver based conductive fillers) that allows for an electrically conductive PSA for good grounding and attachment to desired surfaces. The product is an acrylic based adhesive solution and offers good adhesion and grounding performance to many surface types. 3M tape 9709SL helps improved electrical performance and reliable small size contacts in a thin format. It is useful for grounding, PSA attachment and EMI shielding designs.

Key Features
- XYZ-conductivity through the adhesive
- Unique silver based fillers provide for unique grounding performance of flexible circuits
- Excellent conformability and quick bonding
- Good EMI shielding in bond line gap
- 50 µm thickness to conform to non-flat surfaces
- Unique acrylic formulation provides compatibility to many surface types
- Improved electrical contact to small size areas
- Good handling and workability
- 3M™ Electrically Conductive Adhesive Transfer Tape 9707 is the high adhesion version of 3M tape 9709SL (medium adhesion)
- 3M tape 9709SL uses premium low peel force release liners

Product Construction / Materials Descriptions
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<td>Face side</td>
<td>Gold metallic</td>
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<td>Back side</td>
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<td><strong>Conductive Adhesive Type</strong></td>
<td>Acrylic conductive adhesive with silver based fillers</td>
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<td><strong>Release Liner</strong></td>
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<td>Easy release side liner</td>
<td>100 µm poly coated kraft (PCK) release liner</td>
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<td>Tight release side liner</td>
<td>50 µm transparent PET release liner</td>
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Typical Physical Properties and Performance Characteristics

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<tr>
<td>Thickness</td>
<td>50 µm</td>
<td>ASTM D1000(^a)</td>
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<td>Adhesion to Stainless Steel</td>
<td>825 gf/inch</td>
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<td>Electrical Resistance through Z-axis</td>
<td>0.2 Ω</td>
<td>3M ETM-12(^b)</td>
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\(^a\) Tested in accordance with modified ASTM D1000 test method.
\(^b\) 3M test methods as described below.

**ETM-12: Z-Axis Electrical Resistance through Adhesive\(^b\)**

Place conductive tape pieces in 10 mm x 10 mm on the center of the electrodes on 3M ETM-7 testing board. Then place 3M ETM-12 testing board with the gold plated side down on the tapes between electrodes. After initial hand lamination to provide for a 10 mm x 10 mm contact area between the tapes and electrodes, apply 2kg rubber roller across the tape one time. Application method simulates a typical manufacturing process that might be used to apply the tapes to a surface. After 20 minutes of dwell time, the DC resistance between the electrodes are measured with a micro-ohm meter. The resistance results are recorded after 5 ~ 30 seconds for initial resistance.

**Shielding Effectiveness**

Many factors determine the shielding effectiveness of a conductive adhesive tape, including type and thickness of the conductive layers, adhesive strength, degree of contact, smoothness of application surface and test frequency. For 3M™ Electrically Conductive Adhesive Transfer Tape 9709SL, the typical shielding effectiveness is expected to be in the range of 30 dB to 50 dB, using a standard EMI shielding test methods and through the thickness of the sample tested.

**Applications**

3M™ Electrically Conductive Adhesive Transfer Tape 9709SL is typically used for applications requiring excellent electrical conductivity from the application substrate through the adhesive to a second substrate. Common uses include grounding and EMI shielding in equipment and components.
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End Use Application Techniques

Note: Carefully read and follow the manufacturer’s precautions and directions for use when working with solvents. Tape application below 10°C (50°F) is not suggested. Once properly applied, low temperature holding power is generally satisfactory.

The 3M™ Electrically Conductive Adhesive Transfer Tape bond strength depends on the amount of adhesive-to-surface contact developed during application and substrate type and surface conditions.

1. Firm application pressure helps develop better wet-out and adhesive contact and may lead to improved bond strength as well as electrical conductivity. Pressure must be applied to the bond area after assembly to ensure sufficient wet-out of the 3M tape 9709SL adhesive to the substrates and to engage the conductive acrylic adhesive fillers with the substrates to make electrical connection. Mechanical pressure (roller, metal bar) or finger pressure at 5-15 psi. (Optimally the application conditions are determined via a set of Design of Experiments (DOE) using a range of application pressures, dwell time and temperatures (suggested initial range might include 5-15 psi, 2-5 seconds, 21°C-38°C).

2. Heat may be applied simultaneously with pressure to improve wetting, final bond strength and electrical conductivity. Suggested temperature range to evaluate is in the 38°C-60°C range.

3. To obtain optimum adhesion, the bonding surfaces must be clean, dry and well unified. Some typical surface cleaning solvents are isopropyl alcohol or heptane.

Storage and Shelf Life

The shelf life of 3M™ Electrically Conductive Adhesive Transfer Tape 9709SL is 12 months from the date of manufacture when stored in roll form, in the original packaging materials, and stored at 21°C (70°F) and 50% relative humidity.

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