

Transportation Safety Division

# 3M™ Stamark™ A650 / A651 E / A651 / A654 Temporary Removable Pavement Marking Tape

Product Bulletin Series A650 / A651 E / A651 / A654

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## 1 Description

3M™ Stamark™ Series A65x Temporary Removable Tape is a conformable and highly reflective marking material to be used on highway construction work zones. It can be used for longitudinal line, word and symbol applications, where removability is required.

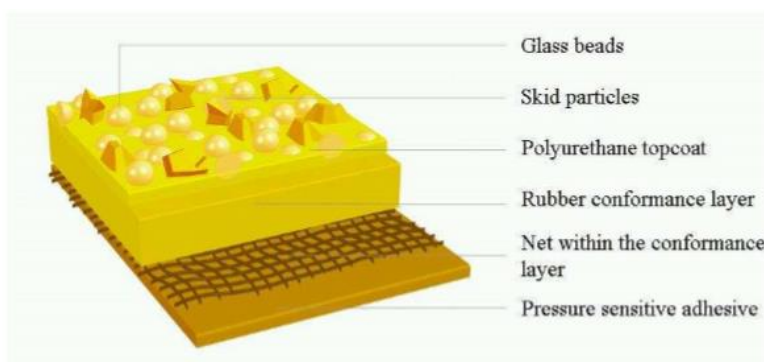
Tape Series A65x tape is available as A650 (white), A651 E (yellow) and A654 (orange). The lined L-versions are designed to be cut into words and symbols.

**Series A65x:** used for lane lines, edge lines, channelizing lines and gore markings

**Series L65x:** Legends and symbols (lined)

3M™ Stamark™ Series A65x tapes consists of a mixture of high quality polymeric materials, organic pigments for the color and fillers. A layer of beads bond to the polyurethane top surface provides excellent retro-reflective properties. The tapes are reinforced by a polyester net and coated with a pressure sensitive adhesive for easy, rapid application at temperatures above 10°C.

## 2 Product construction



### 3 Product features

- Provides highly reflective delineation
- Easy to apply by hand or by machine
- Durable for normal work zone life
- Road can be opened to traffic immediately after application
- Easy to remove intact or in large pieces
- Leaves no lasting marks
- Available in white, yellow and orange

### 4 Product Performance

3M™ Stamark™ A651 E (yellow) Removable Tape fulfil the following classes of EN 1436 in new condition:

Material	Farbe	Schutzpapier	Nachtsichtbarkeit trocken mcd/m <sup>2</sup> x lux	Tagessichtbarkeit β	Griffigkeit SRT	Dicke in mm
A651 E	gelb	ohne	≥ 300	≥ 0,4	≥ 45	ca. 1,5

3M™ Stamark™ A654 Tape fulfils the following classes of ONR 22441 in new condition:

Material	Farbe	Schutzpapier	Nachtsichtbarkeit trocken mcd/m <sup>2</sup> x lux	Tagessichtbarkeit β	Griffigkeit SRT	Dicke in mm
A654	orange	ohne	≥ 150	≥ 0,1	≥ 45	ca. 1,5

3M™ Stamark™ A654 Tape fulfils the following classes of SN 640 877 in new condition:

Material	Farbe	Schutzpapier	Nachtsichtbarkeit trocken mcd/m <sup>2</sup> x lux	Tagessichtbarkeit β	Griffigkeit SRT	Dicke in mm
A654	orange	ohne	≥ 150	≥ 0,1	≥ 45	ca. 1,5

Series A65x tape has typical initial retroreflectance values listed in the following table. Values are measured in accordance with CEN Standard EN 1436 Annex B

	White (A650)	Yellow (A651 E)	Orange (654)
Entrance Angle	1.24°	1.24°	1.24°
Observation Angle	2.29°	2.29°	2.29°
Retroreflected Luminance	700	500	300

## 5 Application

All applications of Series A65x tape should be installed using the instructions in this Product Bulletin and the appropriate 3M Information Folders (see Literature References).

- Air and Surface Temperatures: +10°C and rising
- Relative Air Humidity: < 80 %

General surface conditions:

- Clean and dry surface, no rain 24 hours prior to the application.
- Always use 3M™ Stamark™ P50 Surface Preparation Adhesive for Overlay applications prior to the tape application.
- Apply the tape using 3M™ Application Equipment
- Tamp the tape with 3M™ tamping cart
- Butt splices must be used. Do not overlay tape ends.
- Do not apply tape on longitudinal road surface joints.

For further details on Overlay application, please read to Information Folder IF OV.

## 6 Product Performance References

3M™ Stamark™ Series A65x Temporary Removable Pavement Marking Tape has been homologated by independent Test institutions in Europe:

### Asquer

Approval No.: TE56H (A651)

### Bundesanstalt für Strassenwesen (BaSt)

Approval No. 97 1G 03.07 (A651E)

Approval report 28.03.1995 (A654)

A651 E achieved the following results on the BAST wear simulator according EN1436 and EN13197 (abstract):

Wheel hits	0	1 MM	2 MM
$R_L [mcd/(m^2lx)]$	463	304	231

### Laboratoire Central des Ponts et Chaussées (LCPC)

A651 E achieved the following results on the LCPC test deck according EN1436 and EN 1824:

Months	1	3	6	12
$R_L [mcd/(m^2lx)]$	997	971	800	799

Note: The measuring equipment in 1995 was Ecolux  
Approval No.: TE56H (A651)

**Removability** The tape is removable from asphalt and concrete surfaces intact or in large pieces at temperatures above freezing without use of heat, solvents, grinding or sandblasting. Use the following procedure:

- Wear gloves and use a chisel-like tool to pry up the edge of the tape
- Pull Tape straight up at an angle of 90° to the pavement
- A small amount of heat may be used to help soften the adhesive when removing 3M™ Stamark™ tape at cold weather conditions.

**Note: Burning is not recommended.**

## 7 General Performance Consideration

Maximum durability of 3M™ Stamark™ Temporary Removable tapes will be realized when properly applied according to 3M recommendations provided in product bulletins and information folders. The durability of 3M™ Stamark™ (ex-Scotch-Lane™) Series A65x tape will depend on traffic conditions, snow removal practices, application techniques used, and pavement and atmospheric conditions at the time of application. Damage may be caused by heavy trucks, excessive encroachment (crossover), narrow lane width, unpaved shoulders, snow removal and ice control techniques, such as sanding. It is recommended that the customer thoroughly evaluate Series A65x tapes under the conditions in the specified location before making large- scale applications. While experience has shown that, properly applied, these materials are highly effective traffic control devices; 3M makes no generalized durability claims.

## 8 Storage

Store 3M™ Stamark™ Series A65x Temporary Removable Pavement Marking Tape in a cool dry area - indoors. Use within 12 months after receipt.

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Read all health hazard, precautionary and first aid statements found in the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS), and/or product label of chemicals prior to handling or use.

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## 12 Literature References

For additional information on 3M™ Stamark™ Tapes, Application Instructions or 3M™ Application Equipment, refer to the following publications:

IF OV	Information Folder Overlay Application
IF PS-98	Information Folder Adhesive Spray Applicator PS-98
IF P50	Information Folder Surface Preparation Adhesive 3M™ Stamark™ P50
IF MTA2	Information Folder Manual Tape Applicator MTA-2
IF RTC-3	Information Folder Roller Tamper Cart RTC-3

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