3M™ Electrically Conductive Single-Sided Tape CEF-3BV

Product Description
3M™ Electrically Conductive Single-Sided Tape CEF-3BV consists of a Cu/Ni coated conductive polyester fabric and an electrically conductive pressure-sensitive acrylic adhesive. It offers excellent grounding performance between substrates, and has high EMI shielding performance, typically greater than 60dB at specific frequencies.

3M tape CEF-3BV offers excellent handling characteristics, is thin in overall construction and allows for easy rework. This tape is available in standard and custom widths and lengths. Standard length is 50M. Please contact 3M to review custom width and length options.

Key Features
- 3M conductive acrylic adhesive offers high adhesion and good Z-axis conductivity
- Excellent conformability and quick bonding
- Good handling and workability
- Cu/Ni plated fabric offering excellent EMI/EMC shielding performance
- Halogen Free*

* Halogen Free is defined as having maximum 900 ppm bromine, maximum 900 ppm chlorine, and maximum 1500 ppm total bromine and chlorine, per IEC 61249-2-21.

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Product Construction/Material Description
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<td>Color</td>
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<td>Adhesive type</td>
<td>Black conductive acrylic pressure sensitive adhesive</td>
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<td>Carrier type</td>
<td>Cu/Ni coated conductive polyester fabric</td>
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<td>Tape thickness</td>
<td>68 ( \mu )m nominal (typical thickness tolerance 61 ( \mu )m – 75 ( \mu )m)</td>
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<td>Liner type</td>
<td>White PCK with “3M Electronics” logo in red</td>
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Applications
3M™ Electrically Conductive Single-Sided Tape CEF-3BV is typically used for applications requiring excellent electrical conductivity and EMI/EMC shielding. Common uses include grounding and EMI shielding in equipment and components.

The unique metalized fabric backing offers the benefits of excellent flexibility and conformability, light weight and excellent strength. The fabric backing also offers excellent tear resistance.

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 bond strength of 3M tape CEF-3BV series 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 CEF-3BV 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.

Typical Physical Properties and Performance Characteristics
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<td>180° Peel adhesion (dwell 20 min @ RT)</td>
<td>0.45 N/mm</td>
<td>ASTM D3330*</td>
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<td>Surface resistance of backing (fabric side)</td>
<td>0.2 Ω/□</td>
<td>ETM-1**</td>
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<td>Electrical resistance through adhesive</td>
<td>0.4 Ω</td>
<td>ETM-7***</td>
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*Tested in accordance with ASTM D3330 test method.
**3M Test Method: ETM-1 as described below
***3M Test Method: ETM-7 as described below
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3M ETM-1: XY-Axis Electrical Resistance of Backing**
Prepare the tape strip in 25.4 mm width and place the adhesive side of the tape down on to a clean glass plate using light finger pressure. Place the gold-plated block jig (250 g weight) onto the backing side of conductive tape, then start measuring the DC resistance between the electrodes with micro-ohm meter and record the resistance after 15 ~ 60 seconds.

![Diagram of the tape strip setup](image)

3M ETM-7: XY-Axis Electrical Resistance through Adhesive***
Place a strip of the single (double) side conductive tape in 10 mm x 40 mm with adhesive side down between the electrodes on 3M ETM-7 testing board. After initial hand lamination to provide for a 10 mm x 10 mm contact area between the tape and electrodes, apply a 2 kg 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.

![Diagram of the tape strip setup](image)

Storage and Shelf Life
The shelf life of 3M™ Electrically Conductive Single-Sided Tape CEF-3BV is 12 months from the date of manufacture when stored in the original packaging materials and stored at 21°C (70°F) and 50% relative humidity.
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