**3M™ Electrically Conductive Double-Sided Tape 9732**

**Product Description**

3M™ Electrically Conductive Double-Sided Tape 9732 consists of a conductive nonwoven and an electrically conductive acrylic pressure sensitive adhesive (PSA). It offers excellent grounding performance between substrates and also has high EMI shielding performance.

3M™ Electrically Conductive Double-Sided Tape 9732 is used for grounding and EMI shielding applications. It can be used to replace metal foil EMI shielding and grounding tapes in many applications where improved conformability, tear resistance, puncture resistance, etc. may be needed. The metalized nonwoven backing offers the benefits of excellent flexibility and conformability, very lightweight, and exceptional strength. The nonwoven backing also offers superior tear resistance.

3M tape 9732 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**

- Conductive nonwoven offers excellent conformability
- Conductive acrylic adhesive offers high adhesion and good Z-axis conductivity
- Supplied on a removable liner for easy handling and die-cutting
- 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.
Product Construction / Material Descriptions

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<td>Adhesive Type</td>
<td>Conductive Acrylic Pressure Sensitive Adhesive (PSA)</td>
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<td>Carrier Type</td>
<td>Conductive Nonwoven (Cu/Ni metalized)</td>
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<td>Tape Thickness</td>
<td>100 µm nominal (typical thickness tolerance 95µm -145µm)</td>
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<td>Liner Type &amp; Color</td>
<td>White PCK with “3M Electronics” logo in red</td>
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Typical Physical Properties and Performance Characteristics

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<td>Pullout Force (dwell 20min@ RT)</td>
<td>≥80N/inch²</td>
<td>ETM-T block⁴ (Adhesion to Aluminum)</td>
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<td>Surface Resistance of Adhesive</td>
<td>≤ 0.18Ω/□</td>
<td>ETM-1⁵</td>
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<td>Contact Resistance through Adhesive</td>
<td>≤ 0.06Ω/inch²</td>
<td>ETM-11⁶</td>
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⁴⁵⁶ 3M Test Methods as described below.
ETM-T block Pullout Force Test Method
Place one square inch of the tape on the square surface of aluminum T-shaped block, remove the other side liner of tape, and attach it to the second T-shaped block. The tape being tested should be within the geometric center of jig. Keep 2 Kg weight pressing fixture on the jig for one minute, then remove it. Let it dwell at room temperature for 20 minutes, clamp the end of T-shaped block into the jaw of machine and operate the movable jaw at speed of 12 inches/minute until two T-shaped blocks separate from each other and record the maximum data of force.

ETM-1, Surface Electrical Resistance Test
ETM-1, surface Probe, Surface resistance of a material, SR Unit: Ω/□.

ETM-11, Contact Electrical Resistance Test
ETM-11, maintained at 5 psi (3.4N/cm²) measured on 1 square inch surface area, CR Unit: Ω/inch².
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<th>Typical Operating Temperature Range*</th>
<th>Long Term (days-weeks): 85°C (185°F)</th>
<th>Short Term (Minutes-hours): 121°C (250°F)</th>
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*It is not suggested for excessive high or low temperature excursions where the application performance might be compromised. The user is recommended to conduct application evaluation to determine the fit-for-purpose of tape in their design.

**Application Techniques**
The bond strength of 3M™ Electrically Conductive Double-Sided Tape 9732 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 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 pressure, 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.

4) Adhesion builds with time, up to 24 to 72 hours may be required to reach final adhesion values.

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.

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**Storage and Shelf Life**
The shelf life of 3M™ Electrically Conductive Double-Sided Tape 9732 is 12 months from the date of manufacture when stored in roll form in original packaging at 21°C (70°F) and 50% relative humidity.
Safety Data Sheet: Consult Safety Data Sheet before use.

Regulatory: For regulatory information about this product, contact your 3M representative.

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