

# Scotch® Filament Tape 8981



Technical Data

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## Product Description

Scotch® Filament Tape 8981 is a high-performance packaging tape reinforced with continuous glass-yarn filaments that give the tape very high tensile strength and low stretch. The clear 3M™ Scotchpro™ backing provides excellent abrasion and moisture resistance. The aggressive packaging-grade adhesive is specifically formulated to provide an excellent balance of initial adhesion and long-term holding power to most fiberboard surfaces, including recycled and printed fiberboard surfaces.

## Construction

Backing	Adhesive	Reinforcement	Backing Color
3M™ Scotchpro™ film	Pressure sensitive synthetic rubber resin	Glass yarn	Clear

## Typical Physical Properties\*

**Note: The following technical information and data should be considered representative or typical only, and should not be used for specification purposes.**

		ASTM Test Method
Adhesion to Steel:	70 oz./in. width (76 N/100 mm width)	D-3330
Tensile Strength:	380 lbs./in. width (6655 N/100 mm width)	D-3759
Elongation at Break:	3%	D-3759
Total Thickness:	6.6 mil (0.168 mm)	D-3652

\*Based on limited production. As sufficient production data is gathered, a revised data sheet will be issued.

## Features

- Meets ASTM D5330, Type II, which has replaced PPP-T-97E and CID A-A-1686A.
- Good handling.
- Printable.
- High tensile strength combined with low stretch.
- Allows printing and illustrations to be seen through the tape.
- High shear and good initial adhesion.
- Very good long-term holding power.
- Tough film backing protects the filaments and adhesive to provide longer functional tape performance.
- Good handling characteristics, saves time through ease of dispensing and tape application.
- When printed, the tape provides advertising, warning, and labeling capability.
- High tensile strength allows the use of less tape in many applications and lowers the cost per application.
- Good clarity of artwork and important messages even when covered by the tape.
- Adhesive provides very good holding under wide range of application conditions with minimum amount of tape.
- Holds instantly with minimum rubdown.
- Boxes remain securely closed through normal warehouse time cycles.

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Available Sizes	Available Widths	Available Lengths
	Standard Widths: .47 in. (12 mm), .71 in. (18 mm), .94 in. (24 mm), 1.4 in. (36 mm), 1.9 in. (48 mm)	60 yds. (55 m)
	.47 in. (12 mm), .71 in. (18 mm)	361 yds. (330 m)
Core Size (ID):	3 in. (76.2 mm)	

## Application Techniques

An extensive line of application equipment including hand-held manual dispensers and the 3M-Matic™ Semi-Automatic L-Clip Applicator S857 is available. Application of Scotch® Filament Tape 8981 is most easily accomplished at room temperature because at colder temperatures, approaching 32°F (0°C), the adhesive becomes firmer. Once applied, Scotch® Tape 8981 performs well throughout the normal temperature ranges typically encountered by packaged products in shipping and storage environments.

## Storage Conditions

Store behind present stock. Store in a clean, dry place. Temperature of 40-80°F (4-26°C) and 40-50% relative humidity are recommended. Rotate your stock.

## For Additional Information

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