

## Technical Data Sheet **3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tape** LVO **Series** LVO060BF · LVO110BF · LVO160BF

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# **3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tape** LVO Series

#### **Product Description**

3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tape LVO is a low VOC and low odor (LVO) black double-sided acrylic foam tape with PE film liner and available in 0,6 mm, 1,1 mm and 1,6 mm thickness. The low odor adhesive on both sides bonds to a broad range of substrates and plastics, optimized for polypropylene and polystyrene. The conformable foam provides good contact between substrates even when they are slightly mismatched. Each product in this family has low odor adhesive and very conformable foam but varies in thickness.



#### **Key Features**

- 85% reduced VOC's compared to common acrylic foam tapes, tested to VDA278 standard
- Low in Odor tested to VDA270 standard
- Fast and easy-to-use permanent bonding method provides high strength and long-term durability
- Virtually invisible fastening keeps surfaces smooth
- Can replace mechanical fasteners (rivets, welding, screws) or liquid adhesives
- Closed-cell foam creates a seal against water and moisture
- Pressure sensitive adhesive bonds on contact to provide immediate handling strength
- Allows the use of thinner, lighter weight and dissimilar materials
- This product might be suitable for use in indirect food contact applications. Please see the applicable Regulatory Data FDA 21 CFR 175.105

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## **Typical Physical Properties**

#### Adhesive: Low Odor

Foam Type: Very Conformable Acrylic / Tape Colour: Black

	LVO-060BF	LVO-110BF	LVO-160BF
Thickness	0,6 mm	1,1 mm	1 <b>,6</b> mm
Density	5 <b>80 kg/m³</b>	540 <b>kg/m³</b>	54 <b>0 kg/m³</b>
Liner	PE Filmic	PE Filmic	PE Filmic
Liner Thickness	<b>0,13</b> 0 mm	0,130mm	0,130mm
Liner Colour	Red, 3M Branded	Red, 3M Branded	Red, 3M Branded



### **Typical Performance Characteristics**

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	<b>90° Peel adhesion to Stainless Steel</b> acc. to ASTM D3330, 90° peel angle @ RT, after 72h @ RT dwell	23 N/cm	38 N/cm	37 N/cm
J.	<b>90° Peel adhesion to</b> Polypropylene (PP) acc. to ASTM D3330, 90° peel angle @ RT, after 72h @ RT dwell	25 <b>N/cm</b>	36 N/cm	44 N/cm
No the second se	<b>90° Peel adhesion to</b> Polystyrene acc. to ASTM D3330, 90° peel angle @ RT, after 72h @ RT dwell	25 <b>N/cm</b>	36 N/cm	38 N/cm
	Normal Tensile (T-Block) acc. to ASTM D897 to Aluminium @ RT, after 72h @ RT dwell, 6.45 cm <sup>2</sup> , test speed 50 mm/min	970 kPa	990 kPa	920 kPa
	<b>Dynamic Shear</b> acc. to ASTM D1002 on stainless steel, after 72h @ RT dwell	790 kPa	790 kPa	680 <b>kPa</b>
	Short Term Temperature Performance No change in room temperature dynamic shear properties following 4 hours conditioning at indicated temperature with 100 g/6.45 cm <sup>2</sup> static load (Represents minutes, hours in a process type temperature exposure).		121 °C	
	Long Term Temperature Performance Maximum temperature where tape supports at least 250 g load per 3.23 cm <sup>2</sup> in static shear for 10,000 minutes. (Represents continuous exposure for days or weeks).		93 <b>°C</b>	

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#### Static Shear: ASTM D-3654

72-hour dwell time, Size: 25,4 mm x 12,7 mm.

Weight	Temperature/ Substrate	Minutes
1000 g	22 °C / Stainless Steel and PP	>10 000*
500 g	66 °C / Stainless Steel	>10 000*
500 g	93 °C / Stainless Steel and PP	>10 000*

\*Test concludes at 10,000 minutes.



#### **Directions for Use and Application Temperature**

- Ideal application temperature range is 21 °C to 38 °C and minimum application temperature is 10 °C. Pressure sensitive adhesives use viscous flow to achieve substrate contact area.
- To obtain good performance with all 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tapes, it is important to ensure that the surfaces are clean, dry and free of condensed moisture. For maximum bond strength the surfaces should be thoroughly cleaned with a 50:50 to 70:30 mixture of isopropyl alcohol and water.
- For in depth surface preparation and application instructions, please click or scan QR code to see 3M Technical Bulletin on Surface Preparation for 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tape Applications.



#### **Storage and Shelf Life**

All 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tapes have a shelf life of 24 months from date of manufacture when stored at 4°C to 38°C and 0-95% relative humidity. The optimum storage conditions are 22°C and 50% relative humidity. Performance of tapes is not projected to change even after shelf life expires; however, 3M does suggest that 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tapes are used prior to the shelf-life date whenever possible.

The manufacturing date is available on all 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tapes as the lot number, typically marked on the core or on a label on the outer roll lap. The lot number, typically a 4 digit code, is a Julian date (Y D D D). The first digit refers to the year of manufacture, the last 3 digits refer to the days after January 1. Example: A lot number of 4266 (or 24266) would translate to a date of manufacture of Sept. 23 (266th day of year) in 2024.



### Design Considerations

Adhesion to the substrate is important in achieving bonding success. Adhesives must flow onto the substrate surfaces in order to achieve intimate contact area and allow the molecular force of attraction to develop. The degree of flow of the adhesive on the substrate is largely determined by the surface energy of the substrate. Achieving good contact is also important. The necessary thickness of tape depends on the rigidity of substrates and their flatness irregularity. While the 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tapes will conform to a certain amount of irregularity, they will not flow to fill gaps between the materials. For bonding rigid materials with normal flatness, consider use of tapes with thickness of 1.1 mm or greater. As the substrate flexibility increases thinner tapes can be considered. Using the right amount of tape is important to handle the expected stresses. Because 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tapes are viscoelastic by nature their strength and stiffness is a function of the rate at which they are stressed. They behave stronger with relatively faster rate of stress load (dynamic stresses) and will tend to show creep behavior with stress load acting over a long period of time (static stresses). As a general rule, for static loads, approximately 60 sq cm of tape should be used for each Kg of weight to be supported in order to prevent excessive creep. For dynamic loads a useful design factor is 85 kPa for most dynamic stresses in general applications.

Allow for thermal expansion/contraction. 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tapes can perform well in applications where two bonded surfaces may expand and contract differentially. Assuming good adhesion to the substrates, the tapes can typically tolerate differential movement in the shear plane up to 3 times their thickness. Bond Flexibility: While an advantage for many applications where allowing differential movement is a benefit, the tape bonds are typically more flexible than alternative bonding methods. Suitable design modifications or periodic use of rigid fasteners or adhesives may be needed if additional stiffness is required. Performance in Severe Cold Temperature can be challenging. Applications which require performance at severe cold temperatures must be thoroughly evaluated by the user if the intended use will subject the tape product to high impact stresses. Please click or scan QR code to see 3M Technical Bulletins on 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tape Cold Temperature Performance and 3M<sup>™</sup> VHB<sup>™</sup> Tape Durability for additional information.



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