

# 5500 QM

## Translucent Cast Film

### Revision 3

#### Introduction

Avery Dennison® 5500 Translucent is designed for use in a wide range of internally illuminated signs and canopies (rigid or flexible) or as a creative addition to window graphics

#### Common Applications

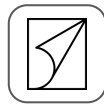
- Illuminated signage
- Architectural signage
- Window graphics



**Face Film**  
50 micron cast PVC



**Adhesive**  
Permanent acrylic



**Backing**  
One side coated Kraft paper,  
140g/m<sup>2</sup>



**Outdoor Life\*\***  
Up to 10 years

#### Features

- Outstanding colour fastness, durability and outdoor performance
- Excellent colour uniformity in reflected and transmitted light
- Compatible with a wide range of rigid and flexible substrates
- Dimensionally stable backing for easy converting
- Excellent conversion properties on computerised cutters
- Easy cutting and weeding
- Excellent dimensional stability
- Excellent UV, temperature, humidity and salt-spray resistance
- Batch reference and product identification printed on liner for traceability

#### Conversion

- Flatbed cutters
- Friction fed cutters
- Die cutting
- Thermal transfer
- Screen printing
- Offset printing
- Cold overlaminating
- Electrostatic printing
- Eco solvent inkjet
- Solvent inkjet
- UV curable inkjet
- Latex inkjet

## Applications

- Refer to [Instructional Bulletin 1.01](#) for Substrate Cleaning and Preparation
- Refer to [Instructional Bulletin 1.2](#) for Wet Application Method
- Refer to [Instructional Bulletin 2.02](#) for Converting Procedure for Vacuum Forming Cast Films
- Refer to [Instructional Bulletin 2.03](#) for Application of Translucent Films to Flex-Face Material

## General

Roll width, length	615mm, 1230mm	45.7m
Caliper, face film	ISO 534	50 micron
Caliper, face film & adhesive	ISO 534	80 micron
Gloss	ISO 2813 @20°	25%
Elongation	DIN 53455	75%
Dimensional stability	DIN 30646	0.2mm max
Adhesion, initial	FINAT FTM-1, Stainless Steel	540 N/m
Adhesion, ultimate	FINAT FTM-1, Stainless Steel	650 N/m
Shelf life	Stored at 22° C/50% RH	2 years
Flammability		Self extinguishing
Expected Durability**	Vertical exposure Black & White Colours Vac Formed	Up to 10 years Up to 8 years Up to 6 years

## Thermal

Application temperature	Minimum: + 10°C
Temperature range	-40°C to +100°C

## Chemical

Humidity resistance	120 hours exposure	No effect
Corrosion resistance	120 hours exposure	No contribution to corrosion
Water resistance	48 hour immersion	No effect
Chemical resistance	Mild acids Mild alkalis	No effect No effect
Solvent resistance	Applied to aluminium	No effect exposed to: Oils, greases, aliphatic solvents, motor oils, heptanes, kerosene, JP-4 fuel

### Important

Information on physical characteristics is based upon tests we believe to be reliable. The values listed herein are typical values and are not for use in specifications. They are intended only as a source of information and are given without guarantee and do not constitute a warranty. Purchasers should independently determine, prior to use, the suitability of any material for their specific use.

All technical data is subject to change without prior notice.

### \*\*Expected Durability

The expected durability of Avery Dennison films are defined as the expected performance life of the Avery Dennison graphic film(s) within Zone 1 of the Avery Dennison zone system, in outdoor vertical exposure conditions. The actual performance life will depend on a variety of factors, including selection and preparation of substrate, angle and direction of exposure, application methods, environmental conditions and cleaning/maintenance of the films. In case of films used in areas of high temperatures or humidity, high altitudes and industrially polluted areas the performance will be further reduced.

### Warranty

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### ^^ Removability

Not removable when applied to nitrocellulose paints, fresh screen print inks, ABS, polystyrene & certain types of PVC.

### Expected Durability and Warranted Period Definitions

Expected durability is the expected period of time defined in the product data sheet, the product should, but is not warranted to, perform satisfactorily when applied in vertical exposure conditions as defined in [Instructional Bulletin 1.30](#). The warranted period as defined in the appropriate ICS Performance Guarantee Bulletin, is the maximum period of time Avery Dennison will warrant the finished products performance in accordance with ICS Performance Guarantee Terms and Conditions 1.0, provided that the film is properly stored, converted and installed in accordance with Avery Dennison guidelines.

## Testing Methods

### Dimensional stability:

Is measured on a 150 x 150 mm aluminium panel to which a specimen has been applied; 72 hours after application the panel is exposed for 48 hours to + 70°C, after which the shrinkage is measured.

### Adhesion:

(FTM-1, FINAT) is measured by peeling a specimen at a 180° angle from a stainless steel or float glass panel, 24 hours after the specimen has been applied under standardised conditions. Initial adhesion is measured 20 minutes after application of the specimen.

### Flammability:

A specimen applied to aluminium is subjected to the flame of a gas burner for 15 seconds. The film should stop burning within 15 seconds after removal from the flame.

### Temperature range:

A specimen applied to stainless steel is exposed at high and low temperatures and brought back to room temperature. 1 hour after exposure the specimen is examined for any deterioration. Note: Prolonged exposure to high and low temperatures in the presence of chemicals such as solvents, acids, dyes, etc. may eventually cause deterioration.

### Chemical Resistance:

All chemical tests are conducted with test panels to which a specimen has been applied. 72 hours after application the panels are immersed in the test fluid for the given test period. 1 hour after removing the panel from the fluid, the specimen is examined for any deterioration.

### Corrosion Resistance:

A specimen applied to aluminium is exposed to saline mist (5% salt) at 35°C. After exposure, the film is removed and the panel is examined for traces of corrosion.



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