



Scotchcal™ Luster Overlaminates 8908

Description

Use 3M™ Scotchcal™ Luster Overlaminates 8908, which features 3M's e-film technology, to protect both indoor and outdoor short-term graphics (except banners and most fleet graphics) where a luster gloss is desired. It can be used with selected electrostatic and piezo ink jet films.

Recommended Types of End Uses

When constructed and used as described in this bulletin, these types of end uses may be warranted by the 3M™ MCS™ Warranty. Please read the entire bulletin for details.

- Protection for both indoor and outdoor sign graphics
- Change or enhance the gloss of a graphic

Limitations of End Uses

Observe the Limitations of End Uses given in the product bulletin for the 3M film or media to which this overlaminates is applied.

Unsuitable End Uses for This Overlaminates

- Application to:
 - exterior banner material
 - vinyl base film used to make fleet, truck or vehicle graphics
 - any 3M™ Scotchlite™ Graphic Film
 - any non-3M film
 - graphics intended for corrugated substrates
- Printing on the overlaminates
- Premasked graphics that are subjected to heat
- Graphics subjected to gasoline vapors or spills such as gas pumps, automobile fuel-tank ports, or top-feeding, petroleum tankers.

Compatible Products

- Most 3M brand electrostatic and piezo ink jet graphic material. Please refer to the Product Bulletin for the base film or substrate to determine compatibility.
- 3M™ Premasking Tape SCPM-3, when needed.

Characteristics

All values given are typical for unprocessed film unless noted otherwise and are not for use in specifications. Processing film may change certain values. If you have questions about your construction, contact the Technical Service helpline at 1-800-328-3908.

Physical Characteristics

| Characteristic | Value |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Material | Polyolefin |
| Color | Clear |
| Gloss | Luster |
| Thickness | Without adhesive: 2.5 mil (0.064 mm) With adhesive: 3.0 mil (0.076 mm) nominal |
| Adhesive type | Pressure sensitive |
| Adhesive color | Clear |
| Liner | Kraft paper liner |
| Flammability | Check the Product Bulletin for the base film/media you are using. If more information is needed, please contact us at 1-800-328-3098. |
| Tensile strength (minimum) | 5 pounds/inch at 73°F (89 cm/kg at 23°C) |
| Applied shrinkage | 0.0001 inch (0.0025 mm) |
| Service temperature range | -40° to +150°F (-40° to +66°C) |

Application Characteristics

| Characteristic | Description |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Application substrates | Approved 3M graphic films or flexible substrates |
| Application topography | Flat, with or without rivets, mild compound curves |
| Lamination temperature range | 50° to 90°F (10° to 32°C) <i>air, overlaminates and film</i> |
| Removability | Permanent, not removable |

Note: For the full product names of the 3M products listed on this page, please see page 1.

Graphic Performance Life

Warranted Durability

Refer to the Product Bulletin for the base film or substrate used in your graphic construction for warranty details.

Warranty and Limited Remedy

The following is made in lieu of all other express or implied warranties, including any implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. This overlamine is warranted to be free of defects in materials and manufacture at the time of shipment and to meet the specifications stated in this Product Bulletin. 3M will replace or refund the price of any 3M materials that do not meet this warranty within the specified time periods. See the worldwide 3M™ MCS™ Warranty (www.Scotchprint.com or Fax-on-Demand), which gives the terms and limitations of the warranty.

These remedies are exclusive. In no case shall 3M be liable for any direct, indirect or consequential damages, including any labor or non-3M material charges.

Lamination

Apply by the squeeze roll method, which uses no heat. Both heat and tension can cause the overlamine to curl. Observe the Lamination temperature range discussed on page 2. Refer to Instruction Bulletin 4.22 lamination procedures

Do not over stretch the film; excessive stretching causes the overlamine to appear white.

Cutting

The common cutting methods for films protected with this overlamine are hand cutting and cold and hot steel-rule die cutting. Refer to Instruction Bulletin 4.1 for more details.

Application Tape

Application tape is not required for most graphics with this overlamine. Refer to Instruction Bulletin 4.3 for more details.

Note: Do not apply heat to the graphic until the premasking tape is removed. If the overlamine is heated while applying rivets, the overlamine will lose gloss. Excessive heat will cause the overlamine to curl.

Maintenance and Cleaning

Use a cleaner such as the kind used for high-quality painted surfaces. The cleaner must be wet, non-abrasive, without strong solvents or alcohol, and have a pH value between 3.0 and 11.0 (neither strongly acidic nor strongly alkaline).

Shelf Life, Storage, and Shipping

| Activity | Recommendation |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Shelf life | Total shelf life: 2 years Up to 2 years unprocessed, OR Up to 1 year processed and applied within 1 year of processing |
| Storage conditions | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 100°F (38°C) maximum• Out of sunlight• Clean dry area• Original container |
| Shipping finished graphics | Flat, or rolled printed side out on 5 inch (13 cm) or larger core; processed film may block if wound too tightly |

See Instruction Bulletin 6.5 for details.

Health and Safety

Caution

When handling any chemical products, read the manufacturers' container labels and the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for important health, safety and environmental information.

To obtain MSDS sheets for 3M products:

- By fax, call 1-800-364-0768 in the US and Canada or 1-650-556-8417 for all other locations.
- Electronically, visit us at <http://www.3M.com>, then select MSDS search.
- By mail, or in case of an emergency, call 1-800-364-3577 or 1-651-737-6501.

When using any equipment, always follow the manufacturers' instructions for safe operation.

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1. Go to www.scotchprint.com.
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 3. Click *Login* on upper left side of screen.
 4. Click Register.
 5. Enter authorization code: **CGD_SGN**.
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3M Related Literature

Before starting any job, be sure you have the most current product and instruction bulletins.

The information in 3M bulletins is subject to change. Current bulletins, as well as a list of all bulletins updated within the last three months, are available at www.scotchprint.com or through our Fax-on-Demand system. Any warranty, if offered, is based on information in the bulletin that was current at the time you purchased the 3M products. The following bulletins provide the information and processes you need to properly make the graphics described in this bulletin.

Fax-on-Demand phone numbers:
United States or Canada: 1-800-364-0768
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| Subject | Bulletin No. | FOD No. |
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| Product Bulletins | | |
| Films and sheetings Order an index from the Fax-on-Demand system to identify the FOD No. for the film or sheeting bulletins you need. | | |
| Instruction Bulletins | | |
| Cold roll lamination | 4.22 | 6522 |
| Storage, handling, maintenance, removal | 6.5 | 8505 |
| Warranties | | |
| Worldwide 3M™ MCS™ Warranty | | 9503 |

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Bulletin Change Summary

3M™ Wear Coat and Image Transfer Media 8604 ES and 8605 ES have been discontinued. Changed description of 8909 from “e-film” to polyolefin film. Be sure to check base film/substrate bulletin to ensure compatibility and to determine warranties.



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