Specification Bulletin



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High Performance Films

DuPont FEP

fluorocarbon film

Types A, C, C-20, and L

Introduction

This specification covers Teflon® FEP fluorocarbon film sold by DuPont Films.

Film types included in this specification meet requirements of fluorocarbon film specified by ASTM D-3368 as follows:

ASTM D-3368

Type I	FEP Type A
Type II, Grade 1	FEP Type C
Type II, Grade 2	FEP Type C-20
Type III	FEP Type L

Where minimum or maximum tolerances are given, these represent limiting conditions approached by only a small portion of the film. A majority of the film will have properties falling within a range narrower than that specified.

Current product availability is shown in **Table 1**.

Manufacturing *Material*

Copolymer of tetrafluoroethylene and hexafluoropropylene in the form of a film.

Color

The color of the film is uniform and ranges from clear to translucent depending on the thickness.

Defects

The material shall be uniform in appearance and shall be sufficiently free of contamination, wrinkles, holes, scratches, and other imperfections so as to be functionally acceptable.

Cores

Shall be of sufficient strength to prevent collapsing on handling. Sizes 3 in (76.2 mm) or 6 in (152.4 mm) I.D. should be specified on orders.

Order Tolerance

The tolerance for under or overrun on pounds ordered is $\pm 10\%$.

Splices

Description

Splices for all gauges are butt type and are made with yellow pressure-sensitive tape. One strip is applied to each side of the splice and shall be 2 in (50.8 mm) wide for 200 gauge and above and 1 in (25.4 mm) wide for below 200 gauge.

Frequency

See Table 2.

Thickness and Coverage

The average thickness is determined by measurement of the average weight of the film. The average unit weight will meet the specifications as shown in **Table 3**, Section A. In addition, no single point will fall outside the minimum and maximum thickness as shown in **Table 3**, Section B. Point thickness is determined through at least ten measurements across the width of the film in accordance with ASTM D-374 Method A or C.

Width

The maximum variation in film width from that required on the order varies with the gauge and width of film and is shown in **Table 4**.

General

Packaging

DuPont FEP fluorocarbon film is wound on 3-in (76.2-mm) or 6-in (152.4-mm) cores and is overwrapped in polyethylene. The film is then boxed to prevent loss of contents or damage during shipment. Each container is labeled with DuPont and customer's name, purchase order number, film thickness, type, mill roll number, and shipping date.

A label containing similar information is also affixed to the core for roll widths $2^{1/8}$ in (54 mm) and above; for rolls less than $2^{1/8}$ in (54 mm) wide, the core label is in the package.

Assurance

Statistical sampling techniques are used to ensure specified properties in the following tables are met.

Table 1
Availability of DuPont FEP Fluorocarbon Film

		Gauge															
Туре	50	100	175	200	300	500	750	1000	1500	2000	3000	4500	6000	7500	9000	12500	19000
A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	_	*	_	_	_	_	_	_	
С	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
C-20	_	_	_	*	_	*	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
L	_	_	_	_	_	*	_	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

^{*}Available

Note: Specifications apply to gauges and type available as indicated.

Table 2 Maximum Allowable Splices/Roll

	Types: A, C, and C-20												
Put-Up													
O.D., in													
	3-in Cores 6-in Cores												
Gauge	6	6 <71/2 71/2 91/2 <91/2 91/2											
50	T _	_	_	_	3	4	7						
100	2	2	3	4	2	3	4						
200	1	1	2	3	1	2	3						
300	1	1	2	3	1	2	3						
500	1	1	2	3	1	2	3						
750	1	1	2	3	1	2	3						
1000	_	_	_	_	1	1	3						
2000		_	_	_	1	1	2						

Note: Minimum distance between splices or between a splice and the end or start of a slit roll shall not be less than 100 ft for film under 2000 gauge and 50 ft for 2000 gauge.

Roll, in	
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Gauge $3 \times 9^{1/2}$ 3×11	1
500 3 3	
1000 — 3	
1500 — 3	
2000 — 2	
3000 — 2	
4500 — 2	
6000 — 1	
7500 — 1	
9000 — 1	

Note: Minimum distance between the end of a splice and the end or start of a slit roll shall not be less than 100 ft for 500L, 60 ft for 1000L, 50 ft for 2000L and 3000L, 30 ft for 6000L, and 14 ft for 9000L.

Table 3
DuPont FEP Fluorocarbon Film Thickness Tolerance

			Į.	A		ı	3	С			
Nominal	Nominal Thickness.			Thickness ight, g/m²		1	gle ickness*	Area Factor, ft²/lb			
Gauge	in Nom. Min. Max. % Var.						Max.	Nom.	Min.	Max.	
Types: A, C, ar	nd C-20										
50	0.0005	27.28	24.55	30.01	±10	0.00035	0.00065	178.97	162.70	198.87	
100	0.0010	54.56	49.10	60.02	±10	0.00070	0.00130	89.49	81.35	99.43	
175	0.0017	95.48	85.93	105.03	±10	0.00130	0.00220	51.14	46.00	56.25	
200	0.0020	109.12	98.20	120.03	±10	0.00150	0.00250	44.74	40.67	49.72	
300	0.0030	163.68	147.31	180.05	±10	0.00225	0.00375	29.83	27.11	33.14	
500	0.0050	272.80	253.70	291.90	±7	0.00400	0.00600	17.90	16.72	19.25	
750	0.0075	409.20	380.55	437.84	±7	0.00622	0.00877	11.93	11.15	12.83	
1000	0.0100	545.60	507.40	583.79	±7	0.00850	0.01150	8.95	8.36	9.62	
2000	0.0200	1091.20	1014.82	1167.58	±7	0.01700	0.02300	4.47	4.18	4.81	
Type: L											
500	0.0050	272.80	245.52	300.08	±10	0.0040	0.0060	17.90	16.27	19.89	
1000	0.0010	545.60	491.04	600.16	±10	0.0085	0.0115	8.95	8.13	9.94	
1500	0.0015	818.40	736.56	900.24	±10	0.0128	0.0173	5.97	5.42	6.63	
2000	0.0200	1091.20	982.08	1200.32	±10	0.0170	0.0230	4.47	4.06	4.97	
3000	0.0300	1636.80	1473.12	1800.48	±10	0.0255	0.0345	2.98	2.71	3.31	
4500	0.0400	2455.20	2209.68	2700.72	±10	0.0383	0.0518	1.99	1.80	2.20	
6000	0.0600	3273.60	2946.24	3600.24	±10	0.0540	0.0660	1.49	1.35	1.66	
7500	0.0750	4092.00	368.28	4501.20	±10	0.0638	0.0863	1.19	1.07	1.31	
9000	0.0900	4910.40	4419.36	5401.44	±10	0.0810	0.0990	0.99	0.90	1.10	
12500	0.125	6820.00	6480.00	7160.00	±10	0.106	0.144	0.72	0.68	0.76	
19000	0.190	10366.00	9885.00	10847.00	±10	0.161	0.218	0.47	0.45	0.49	

Determined by using lowest and highest thickness readings of ten measurements across the film per ASTM D-374 Method A or C.

Table 4 Roll Width Tolerance, in

	Web Width, in										
Gauge	1/2–15/16	1–6	Over 6								
50 and 100	±1/16	±1/16	±1/16								
200 through 400	±1/16	±1/16	±1/16								
500 through 1500	±1/16	±1/32	±1/16								
2000	±1/16	±1/16	±1/16								
Over 2000	±1/8	±1/8	±1/8								

Note: Variation in film width shall not exceed these limits.

Table 5
Property Value, Types A, C, C-20, and L

	Film Gauge									
Property	50	100	200	300	500	750	1000	1500	2000	Method
Dielectric Strength, V/mil, AC	4000	4000	3500	3000	2500	2000	1800	1500	1400	Average of ten samples tested per ASTM D-149 Method A. Flat sheets in air placed between ¹ / ₄ in diameter brass electrodes with ¹ / ₃₂ in edge radius and subjected to 60 Hz AC voltage rise at 500 V/sec to the breakdown voltage.
Dielectric Constant (at 25°C, 1000 Hz) Max.					2.15		ASTM D-150. Result is average of five tests using measured sample thickness.			
Dissipation Factor (at 25°C, 1000 Hz) Max.					0.000		ASTM D-150, same as above.			
Volume Resistivity, ohm-cm at 170°C, Min.					1 × 10		ASTM D-257.			
Surface Resistivity, ohm (per sq.) at 23°C, 38% RH, Min.		1 × 10 ¹⁵								ASTM D-257.

Table 6 Property Value, Types A, C, and C-20

				Film (Sauge				
Property	50	100	200	300	500	750	1000	2000	Method
Tensile Strength, psi, 25°C, Min.	2000	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	ASTM D-882 for ≤10 mil thickness. ASTM D-638 for >10 mil thickness. 2 in/min testing speed.
Elongation at Break, %, Min.	175	200	250	250	250	250	250	250	Same as above method.
Shrinkage, %, Max. at 200°C MD TD	±5 ±5	±5 ±5	±3 ±3	±2 ±2	±2 ±2	±2 ±2	±2 ±2	±2 ±2	Average of five measurements on room temperature samples before and after each test. Each specimen, 4 in \times 4 in freely suspended in an oven controlled to 200°C \pm 1°C. Exposure time 0.5 hr.
Cementability (Type C film only), Min. peel strength in g/in of width	170	300	750	800	2000	2000	3000	_	Use DuPont adhesive #68040 on Aldine #1200 aluminum sheet (0.019 in thickness). Peel Test at 180° angle at peel rate 12 in/min.
Melt Temperature, Melting Endotherm Peak, °C				260)–280		ASTM D-3418 (DTA).		
Density, g/cm³, 23°C				2.13	3–2.17				ASTM D-1505.

Table 7 Property Value, Type L

	Film Gauge										
Property	500	1000	1500	2000	3000	4500	6000	7500	9000	12500	Method
Tensile Strength, psi, 25°C	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	ASTM D-882 for ≤10 mil thickness. ASTM D-638 for >10 mil thickness. 2 in/min testing speed.
Elongation, %, Min.	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	Same as above method.
Shrinkage, %, Max. at 200°C MD TD	±2 ±2	±2 ±2	±2 ±2	±2 ±2	±4 ±4	±4 ±4	±4 ±4	±4 ±4	±5 ±5	±5 ±5	Average of five measurements on room temperature samples before and after each test. Each specimen, 4 in × 4 in freely suspended in an oven controlled to 200°C ±1°C. Exposure time 0.5 hr.
Melt Temperature, Melting Endotherm Peak, °C	260–280										ASTM D-3418 (DTA).
Density, g/cm ³ , 23°C	2.13–2.17									ASTM D-1505.	

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