



# High Temperature Masking Tape

## 2693

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### Technical Data

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**Product Description** A smooth, heavy duty, mini-crepe paper masking tape suitable for most paint masking applications. Designed for automotive, truck and bus applications where very aggressive room temperature and high temperature holding is required.

**Product Construction** Backing: A smooth mini-crepe paper treated with a heat resistant saturant.  
Adhesive: Synthetic rubber  
Color: Tan  
Standard Roll Length: 60 yds. (55m)  
Available in metric dimensions (e.g., 24mm corresponds to 1 inch).

**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:	50 oz./in. width (54 N/100mm)	D-3330
Tensile Strength:	24 lbs./in. width (420 N/100mm)	D-3759
Elongation at Break:	8%	D-3759
Tape Thickness:	.0085 in. (0.21mm)	D-3652
Temperature Use Range:	Up to 325°F (163°C) for 30 min.	

- General Information**
1. Tape 2693 offers excellent paint mask performance with high solids paints and urethane clear coats used in the transportation industry.
  2. The holding power of this tape resists the most stringent applications and bake cycles.
  3. Tape can be removed warm or cold from most surfaces without adhesive transfer.
  4. Tape 2693 has been laboratory tested on painted steel panels and found to remove cleanly at bake temperatures up to 325°F (163°C) for 30 minutes. The actual temperature and time performance may be higher or lower for a given application. Clean removal can vary dependent on surface type, processing conditions such as multiple bakes, type of paint involved as well as the temperature of the surface at removal. We recommend testing the product under your conditions to determine your performance limits.

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## General Information (cont.)

5. Tape 2693 has excellent conformability and tear properties.
6. The smoothness of the backing makes this tape very “user friendly.”
7. Tape 2693 has excellent paint flake resistance.
8. The balanced construction with a stronger backing gives this tape easy removal properties without slivering.
9. Tape 2693 has good resistance to adhesive transfer on automotive type rubber moldings when removed at room temperature.
10. Tape 2693 should not be subjected to outdoor exposure or prolonged exposure to sunlight. Tape may become very difficult to remove.

## Shelf Life

To obtain best performance, use this product within one year from date of manufacture and store under normal conditions of 70°F (21°C) and 50% R.H. in the original carton.

## Features

<u>FEATURES</u>	<u>ADVANTAGES</u>	<u>BENEFITS</u>
Synthetic rubber adhesive	Instant adhesion	Sticks easily/allows fast application
	Excellent holding power	Resists lifting or curling/ helps minimize rework
	Superior adhesive transfer resistance	Clean removal/helps minimize labor
	Excellent high temperature performance	Holds firmly under heat strain yet removes cleanly
Mini-crepe paper backing	Smoothness	Good surface contact/ secure holding/user friendly
	Dead stretch	Minimal recovery/helps minimize rework
	Conformability	Easy handling/helps minimize time involved
Backing saturant	Solvent and moisture resistance	Good resistance to bleed-through/minimizes rework
	Easy tear	Good handling/helps minimize waste
Special backsize treatment	Controlled unwind	Easy to use/helps minimize waste
	Good paint flaking resistance	Clean paint shop environment/helps minimize rework

## Technical Information and Data

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