



# TECHNICAL DATA SHEET - PROTECTIVE FILM **BODYFENCE**

BODYFENCE is a transparent adhesive-coated film, which is self-healing when it is heated and which is specially developed for protecting car bodywork. Its excellent shock-absorbing properties protect your bodywork against chips caused by stones, insects, car doors, washing brushes, etc. Improved surface sliding. Glossy surface finish.

# **FILM FEATURES:**

#### Indicative value

Total thickness (film + adhesive) ( $\mu$ m): 180 (7.1 mil) ±10 %

	,	, ,	,	
		Av	erage values	<u>Standard</u>
•	Tensile strength (N/25 mm):		> 100	HEXNFX41021
•	Elongation at break (%):		> 350	HEXNFX41021
•	Shrinkage 168 hours at 70 °C (	(158 °F) (mm):	< 0.2	HEXRET001

# LINER:

Silicone-coated PET liner.

# **ADHESIVE PROPERTIES:**

(Measured average values at publication of the technical data sheet)

1eas	sured average values at publication of the tec	Average values	Standard
•	Peel strength test 180° (N/25 mm):	- tverage varaes	HEXFTM001
	after 24 hours of application:	19 21	
•	Initial tack (N/25 mm):	П	HEXFTM009
•	Release (N/25 mm):	0.2	HEXFTM003

# **ADHESIVE:**

- Solvent-based, acrylic adhesive.
- Immediate and permanent adhesion, optimal after 24 hours of contact.

#### **USER'S INSTRUCTIONS:**

• The BODYFENCE film is intended for vehicle body protection. It can also serve as a protection system for full wrap films (HX20000, non-structured HX30000 and HX30SCH00) that are used for smooth and basic full wraps without embellishment.

The application of BODYFENCE to full wrap films is at the customer's judgement. HEXIS recommend the use of pre-cut BODYFENCE for this particular application. As the adhesion of BODYFENCE is permanent, its removal from a full wrap film can damage the latter. HEXIS decline any responsibility in the case of deterioration of a full wrap film caused by the application and removal of BODYFENCE.

- Recommended minimum application temperature: +10 °C (+50 °F). Apply preferably between +15 °C and +35 °C (+59 °F to +95 °F).
- Operating temperature range: -40 °C to +90 °C (-40 °F to +194 °F).
- Cut the film to the size of the part to be wrapped, allowing +10 cm (4 in.) of extra margin.

The remaining film must be stored on its original core (do not cut the rolls into several lengths or widths, do not repackage the product); the roll must be closed immediately and properly (masking tape or roll-collars) after use in order to preserve all its qualities.

- Apply wet.
- Apply to a surface that is clean and free from any traces of contaminants (dust, grease, wax, silicone, etc.).

Particular care must be taken to clean the angles and periphery of the target surfaces in order to enable the film to adhere properly to the surface.

• In the case of an already painted substrate, self-adhesive media must only be applied to undamaged original paintwork. If the paintwork is not original and/or damaged, the application and the removal are at the judgement and risk of the installer.

### **OPERATING RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- Conformable product developed for protecting painted bodywork, underbody, bumpers and rear-view mirror casings, against chips caused by stones, insects.
- Excellent protection against vandalism (key scratches).
- The improved surface sliding of the BODYFENCE film enables you to reduce squeegee friction during application and facilitates the film cleaning.
- To facilitate application, HEXIS have several types of squeegees in their range of accessories, ranging from softer to harder (plastic or felt).
- In the case of superficial micro-scratches, the film is able to eliminate these scratch marks when the temperature ranges from 45 °C to 100 °C (from 113 °F to 212 °F) maximum. For this purpose, heat must be applied using a heat gun to activate the self-healing power of the film.
- For more information on the application method of BODYFENCE, please refer to the Application Guide on the "Professionals" pages, category "Solar and safety films" on our site www.hexis-graphics.com.

#### **STORAGE:**

• Shelf life (before application):

The shelf life of this film is I year when stored upright in its original packaging in a dust-free environment at a temperature ranging from +15 °C to +25 °C (+59 °F to +77 °F) with relative humidity of 50 %.

#### **DURABILITY:**

• Lifespan depends on the type of substrate, substrate preparation, exposure conditions and nature and frequency of the cleaning.

For instance, it is estimated that a south-facing exposure will divide the durability by two. The same applies to a horizontal exposure. In addition, elevated temperatures (above +50 °C) (+122 °F) or pollution significantly reduce this durability.

 Vertical exposure, Central European climate: up to 7 years (under normal road use conditions).

Applied to a full wrap film with a durability of less than 7 years, BODYFENCE will increase the durability against yellowing and cracking of the full wrap film by up to I year (within the limit of the BODYFENCE durability).

To find the indicative durabilities of the films for any other exposure and geographical area, please refer to the "Conversion rules for indicative durabilities according to geographical area" chart available under Durability, on the "Professionals" pages on our site www.hexis-graphics.com.

#### NOTES:

Due to the great variety of substrates and the growing number of new applications, the installer must check the suitability of the medium for each application. In case of doubt, request an expert evaluation of the compatibility of the film and the glass in question. All of the published information is based on measurements regularly performed in the laboratory. The published information does not however constitute a binding guarantee. The seller cannot be held liable for indirectly related damages and assumes no liability for claims that are higher than the replacement value of the purchased product. All specifications are subject to potential changes without prior notice. Our specifications are automatically updated on our website www.hexis-graphics.com.