# **AUTOTEX AM**

# **Product Data Sheet**

Textured Hardcoat Polyester Film with Microban® Antimicrobial Protection



#### **DESCRIPTION**

**Autotex AM** is a high quality, textured hardcoat polyester\* film offering Microban® antimicrobial protection. Microban® technology is incorporated into the **Autotex AM** during the manufacturing process which ensures even distribution of the antimicrobial agent throughout the textured hardcoat and the film surface. When bacteria come into contact with **Autotex AM** with Microban®, the antimicrobial function disrupts the bacterial cell wall killing or inhibiting bacterial growth. The result is that the film surface of **Autotex AM** provides dependable and constant protection against bacterial contamination. **Autotex AM** is available in sheets and rolls.

\* The term polyester is the generic term for a number of different polymers, of which polyethylene terephthalate (PET) is the most common. PET is used in MacDermid Autotype High Performance Film Systems polyester products.







#### PRODUCT RANGE

| Product   | Finish | Gauge    |          |
|---|--------|----------|----------|
| Froduct   |        | 150µm    | 200μm    |
| <b>Autotex AM</b> with 7-series ink primer for UV screen printing inks and solvent based screen printing inks | Fine   | AM F157L | AM F207L |

## **PRIMER**

**Autotex AM** has an ink adhesion primer on the second surface. The 7-series primer offers excellent adhesion to a wide range of solvent based screen printing inks and UV screen printing inks.

### **LAMINATE**

MacDermid Autotype supply the **Autotex AM** film range with a protective laminate on the ink primer surface and recommend that the laminate remains in place until the first ink print pass.





## **WINDOWS**

**Autotex AM** can be screen printed with Windotex windowing lacquers to obtain a clear window. Printing guidelines are available in the Windotex Processing and Safety Recommendations. Note that Windotex does not offer any antimicrobial protection.

## **SURFACE CLEANING**

Please note that the use of **Autotex AM** must not be used as a substitute for proper cleaning and disinfection of surfaces.

### **TYPICAL PROPERTIES**

| Property  | Typical Value   | Test Method                                    |
|---|---|--|
| Haze <sup>1</sup>   | 58% ±5%   | ASTM D1003                                     |
| Total luminous transmission <sup>1</sup>                        | 92% ±0.5%   | ASTM D1003                                     |
| Gloss level (60°) <sup>1</sup>                                  | 7 ±1.5 Gloss Units  | ASTM D2457<br>(Modified to test<br>method 022) |
| Yellowness index <sup>3</sup>                                   | <3  | ASTM E313                                      |
| Switch life <sup>1</sup>  | >5 million actuations   | Test method 003                                |
| Hardcoat adhesion <sup>3</sup>                                  | Pass  | Test method 080                                |
| Tensile strength at break <sup>2</sup>                          | 172 N/mm²   | ASTM D882                                      |
| Breakdown voltage <sup>2</sup><br>150µ<br>200µ                  | 18 kV<br>20 kV  | ASTM D149                                      |
| Dimensional stability <sup>3</sup>                              | <0.2% MD at 120°C maximum shrinkage   | Test method 094                                |
| Thickness all grades <sup>1</sup>                               | Nominal ±10%  | Test method 096                                |
| Maximum processing temp   | 120°C   | -  |
| Maximum use temperature <sup>1</sup> Low humidity High humidity | (<10%RH) 85°C<br>(85%RH) 60°C   | Test method 012                                |
| Minimum use temperature <sup>1</sup>                            | -40°C (-40°F)   | Test method 012                                |
| Chemical resistance Anti-Microbial properties                   | Please refer to <b>Autotex AM</b> Solvent Resistance and Anti-<br>Microbial performance chart |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For details of test method, please contact MacDermid Autotype



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data derived from base film manufacturer's literature. The coating slightly enhances most properties

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Specification value



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