

APPLICATION GUIDE

MAPLE PRINT MOUNTING ADHESIVE (PMA ADHESIVE)

IMPORTANT: MAPLE PRINT MOUNTING ADHESIVE IS A PRESSURE SENSITIVE ADHESIVE TISSUE AND IS NOT REPOSITIONABLE (I.E., IT IS NOT LIKE "POST-IT-NOTE" ADHESIVE).

Application Instructions (see also notes below)

If you are using a roller mounting machine then use the machine according to its instructions to mount your prints, otherwise:

- It is recommended that two persons mount larger prints.
- Unroll, adhesive side up on a hard cutting mat. Cut off sufficient to mount the item to be mounted.
- Carefully position the item face up on the adhesive surface using a rolling motion from one edge so as to avoid bubbles (note: the adhesive does not allow repositioning, so ensure the item is correctly placed first time). Apply light hand pressure to adhere the adhesive sheet to the back of the item, then cut through the sheet around the item.
- Place the item face side down and with a rubber roller apply pressure using strokes from the centre outwards and then criss-cross strokes to ensure firm adhesion.
- Slowly peel the item with adhesive away from the carrier sheet.
- Carefully position the item onto the mounting substrate with a rolling motion from one edge and smooth down as you progress (the adhesive does not allow for repositioning). Protect the print by covering with the carrier sheet previously removed and apply pressure over the item being mounted with a rubber roller.

Performance Promise

If you are new to this product then please do a test mounting first. Like all adhesives it requires some practice to get the application correct.

Cut off less than a metre and test with an unwanted print/picture. If you cannot get the product to perform to your satisfaction then call us for a returns label and return, packed as originally packed, within 7 days. We will refund when we have received and checked the material. We are unable to refund damaged material as it is your responsibility to repack properly. We are also unable to refund where more one metre has been removed from the roll.

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Storage of tape

Pressure-sensitive adhesive tapes should be stored in a dry, cool environment, free from contamination by dust etc., protected by their original packaging, preferably at temperatures between 5°C and 25°C.

Temperature

Although the adhesives used on our products are reasonably tolerant to extremes of temperature, it is strongly recommended that tapes are applied at a temperature between 5°C and 25°C.

Surface preparation

In order to obtain the optimum adhesive bond, it is essential that the surfaces to be joined are clean and dry. They should be free from dust and other particulate matter, grease, condensation or another surface contaminant. In most cases a wipe over with a clean cloth is sufficient. If there is any doubt, following removal of the worst contamination, a wipe over the surface with a small amount of a suitable solvent such as industrial methylated spirit will remove final traces of grease etc. White spirit should not be used for this purpose, as it leaves an oily surface deposit on evaporation.

Application Pressure

The adhesive used on Maple PMA adhesive tapes is pressure sensitive, and as the name implies, a reasonable amount of pressure needs to be applied (by a roller mounting machine or manual rubber roller) to give the optimum adhesive bond.

Removal of unwanted adhesive

If a tape is wrongly applied, and on removal an adhesive deposit is left, this can be removed by use of a cloth moistened with petrol (obviously with great care because of the flammability of the solvent). Acrylic adhesives are more difficult to remove; they are cross-linked, and will not dissolve, but it will soften, and can generally be removed.

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