# Scotch<sup>®</sup> Bi-Directional Filament Tape

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#### **Product Description**

Scotch® Filament Tape 8959 is a bi-directional specialty packaging tape reinforced with continuous glass yarns in both the longitudinal and transverse direction along with a biaxially oriented polypropylene backing. The polypropylene backing provides good abrasion, moisture and scuff resistance. The adhesive is specifically formulated to provide good adhesion to a wide variety of surfaces including metallic, plastic, and fiberboard.

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Backing	Adhesive	Reinforcement	<b>Backing Color</b>
3M <sup>™</sup> Scotchpro <sup>™</sup> film	Pressure sensitive synthetic rubber resin	Bi-directional glass yarn	Clear

## 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.

		ASTIM Test Method
Adhesion to Steel:	100 oz./in. width (109 N/100 mm width)	D-3330
Tensile Strength:	150 lbs./in. width (2600 N/100 mm width)	D-3759
Elongation at Break:	6%	D-3759
Total Thickness:	5.7 mil (0.14 mm)	D-3652

### Features

- High cross-direction tensile strength.
- Allows printing and illustrations to be seen through the tape.
- Excellent shear and initial adhesion.
- Excellent aging.
- Protection of filaments and adhesive to provide longer package life.
- Performs better than paper backings when exposed to outdoor and humid environments.
- Resists center seams slitting in both machine and cross direction, increasing the performance of the tape.
- Excellent holding power under wide range of application conditions with minimum amount of tape.
- Hold with minimum rubdown, doesn't require water to activate.
- Boxes remain closed for long periods of time.

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Available Sizes	Standard Widths:	.75 in. (19 mm), .98 in. (25 mm), 2.0 in. (50 mm), 3.0 in. (75 mm)		
	Core Size (ID):	3 in. (76.2 mm)		
	Lengths:	60 yds. (50 m)		
Application Techniques	An extensive line of application equipment is available including portable hand-hel dispensers and stationary definite-length dispensers. Application of Scotch® Filame Tape 8959 is most easily accomplished at room temperature. At colder temperture approaching 32°F (0°C), the adhesive becomes firm. Once applied, Scotch® Tape 8959 performs well throughout the normal temperature ranges typically encounter by packaged products in shipping and storage environments.			
Storage Conditions	_	ent stock. Store in a clean, dry place. Temperature of 40-80°F 0% relative humidity are recommended. Rotate your stock.		
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