Reflective Transfers

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3MTM Reflective Transfers

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PRODUCT DETAILS

Transfer Dimensions:

- Minimum transfer size is 0.5" x 0.5" (1.27cm x 1.27cm).
- Maximum transfer size is 14" x 20" (35.5cm x 50.8cm).

Design Lettering Dimensions:

The text within a design should not be less than 10mm (0.39") in height.



Substrate Type:

3M™ ScotchLite™ Polyester transfer film

Transfer Films Colour Selection

3M[™] Scotchlite[™] transfer films are available in a range of technical formats and colours, including fluorescent yellow, fluorescent orange, industrial launderable and flame resistant.

Current stock transfer film colours / types:

8725 Silver

8786 Fluorescent red-orange

8787 Fluorescent lime-yellow

Special order transfer film colours / types:

9720 Silver Industrial Wash

9740 Silver Industrial Wash Flame Resistant

ORDERING GUIDELINES

Artwork & Set-up Fees:

No fees*. Emblemtek will provide artwork on new emblem orders for customer Approval prior to production. There are no artwork or set-up fees when existing, electronic or physical designs or samples are provided to Emblemtek. Artwork fees may apply when designs are created from scratch.

Order Quantities:

Minimum 15. The minimum order quantity is 15 pieces.

Pre-production Samples:

Available \$. Electronic (scan) or physical pre-production samples (single unit) are available for approved designs. Samples fees are applicable, relative to design detail and emblem size. See price guide for more information.

Pricing:

Charted & quoted. Charted pricing is available up to a certain size threshold, with larger quantities and larger emblem sizes custom quoted. See price guide for more information.

Delivery Times:

Delivery times are relative to order quantity. Transfers greater than 6.00° x 6.00° (15.24cm x 15.24cm) may take longer to manufacture. See price guide for more information.

Ordering Guidelines:

Order specifics. During the design, artwork and ordering processes, there are specific details that we require in order to proceed with your request, such as:

Tranfer Type ● Transfer Colours ● Dimensions ● Quantity ● Special Delivery Needs

Accepted Design / Artwork File Types

The chart below lists the various graphic and design file types that Emblemtek will accept for artwork and production purposes. Certain file types are preferred as noted.

Graphic File Types:

- CorelDraw ver.13 / ver.X3 (.cdr) pref
- Adobe Illustrator ver.CS3 (.ai) pref
- Encapsulated PostScript (.eps) pref
- Adobe Portable Document File (.pdf) pref
- Joint Photographic Experts Group (.jpg) pref
- Portable Network Graphics (.png) pref
- Adobe Photoshop ver.CS3 (.psd)
- Corel Photo-Paint ver.13 / ver.X3 (.cpt)
- Targa Bitmap (.tga)
- Tagged Image File Format (.tiff)
- Windows Bitmap (.bmp)
- CompuServe Bitmap (.gif)



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APPLICATION & WASH GUIDELINES

Application Methods

Heat seal. 3M™ Reflective Transfers can be heat sealed on to garments and other textile products using a heat seal machine.

TRANSFER TYPE			
8725 Silver 8786 Fluorescent red-orange 8787 Fluorescent lime-yellow	325°F to 350°F (165°C to 177°C)	30 to 40 PSI* (2 to 3 Bar)	10 to 20 seconds
9720 Silver Industrial	325°F to 350°F (165°C to 177°C)	30 to 40 PSI* (2 to 3 Bar)	10 to 20 seconds
9740 Silver Industrial FR	350°F to 375°F (175°C to 190°C)	30 to 40 PSI* (2 to 3 Bar)	20 seconds

^{*} These recommended settings are based on manually operated or air operated heat seal machines with top iron heat only.

For application methods, washing and drying guidelines, please refer to the 3MTM ScotchliteTM Reflective Material Transfer Films data sheets available on the web product page.

Heat Seal Notes & Tips:

Place the garment or textile on the bottom platen of the heat seal machine and ensure that the area that is to be transferred is as flat and smooth as possible. Place the transfer carrier over the area to be transferred and position the transfer so that the design is aligned to the garment or textile as required. Cycle the heat seal machine based on the temperature, pressure and time settings noted above. When the heat seal cycle is complete, remove the transfer carrier slowly from the garment or textile while still warm.

Due to the diverse nature of fabrics and textiles in the market place, customers are advised to carry out application, wash and any technical tests (including flame retardant) prior to placing orders.

- Thicker fabrics, which may absorb excess heat, may require longer cycle times as charted above.
- White materials (knits or blends) may scorch if heat seal temperatures are too high. It is recommended that fabrics be tested first.
- Pique knit and fleece materials may be sensitive to heat and pressure, with the possibility of being crushed.
- Rib-knit and stretch fabrics may pucker or distort when transfer are heat sealed to them. Transfers may not apply correctly to items such as toques and scarves. It is recommended that these fabrics be tested first.
- Treated fabrics finished with coatings, sizing or repellants may not allow for proper heat seal bonding. Items made with leather, suede, nylon, synthetics, nylon-shell, interlinings, rubberized coatings and reflective fabrics, such as jackets and luggage, may react poorly to heat seal temperatures depending on thickness, weave, texture and weight. It is recommended that these fabrics be tested first, with possible heat seal time and temperature adjustments.
- Caps can sometimes be difficult to work with for heat seal applications. To achieve a higher potential for heat seal application success on caps, it is recommended that transfers not be greater than 2-1/4" in height and 4" in width.

Washing & Drying Guidelines

TRANSFER TYPE	WASH TYPE	WASH TEMPERATURE	DRY TYPE	IRON
8725 Silver 8786 Fluorescent red-orange 8787 Fluorescent lime-yellow	Home Care	Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 105°F (40°C)	Tumble dry at low heat	Cool iron —
9720 Silver Industrial 9740 Silver Industrial FR	Industrial	Wash in commercial machine in water not exceeding 140°F (60°C)	not exceeding 130°F (55°C)	not exceeding 230°F (110°C)



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