3M[™] DICHROIC Films DF Chill & DF Blaze



Product Description

3M DICHROIC DF (the "Product") is a non-adhesive transparent film that provides a dichroic color effect, meaning it appears to change color when viewed at various angles. The "Blaze" Product shifts colors in the warm tones of cyan/blue/magenta in transmission and red/gold color regions of the spectrum in reflection. The "Chill" Product shifts colors in the cool tones of blue/magenta/yellow in transmission and gold/blue color regions of the spectrum in reflection. The brilliant color shift is visible from both sides of the Products and is influenced by the environment in which the Products are used, including the lighting, the viewing angle, and the mounting surface color. The Products are a premium grade, multi-layer polymeric film that is non-metallic, non-conductive, and non-corrosive.

Product Characteristics

The values in this table are typical, and are based on test data deemed reliable but are not warranted.

Characteristic	DF Blaze	DF Chill
Material	Polyester surface layers with alternating layers of polyes- ter and acrylic	
Thickness	1.3 mils (33 microns)	1.15 mils (29 microns)
Roll Sizes - DF Products	28 in. x 30 yds. (710mm x 27.4m) 56 in. x 30 yds. (1420mm x 27.4m)	
Film Color	Cyan/Blue/Magenta in transmission Red/Gold in reflection	Blue/Magenta/Yellow in transmission Gold/Blue in reflection

Optical Performance Characteristics

The optical data are calculated as theoretical values and compiled with existing data. The values in these tables are typical, and are based on test data deemed reliable but are not warranted.

Characteristic		DF Blaze	DF Chill
Transmissive Color ¹		Cyan/Blue/Magenta	Blue/Magenta/Yellow
Reflective Color ¹		Red/Gold	Gold/Blue
Spectral Data ² Left Band Edges Right Band Edges		590nm 795nm	500nm 615nm
Shading Coefficient		0.70	0.77
Solar Heat (%)	Reflectance	25	21
	Transmittance	57	62
	Absorbance	13	15
Visible Light (%)	Reflectance	22	78
	Transmittance	77	17
UV (%)	Transmittance	2.6	2.4

1. Varies by viewing angle. Color shift is visible from both sides of the Product.

2. ASTM Test: E1164-94 / E387-95



Typical Spectral Response for DF Chill Product



Typical Spectral Response for DF Blaze Product



Product Use

3M DICHROIC DF Products are intended for general decoration. They are not intended for use where UV or abrasion resistance is needed, such as on perimeter glass or conference room glass. The user is solely responsible for evaluating and determining whether these 3M Products are suitable and appropriate for any particular use or manufacturing process in which they may be used.

Environmental Performance

These Products are not recommended for exterior use. Protection from UV radiation wavelengths is required.

Abrasion and scratch resistance is similar to other products made of polyester. To maximize product effectiveness:

- use it in a location where it can be protected from abrasion.
- apply a hard coat lamination to help protect from abrasion.

Avoid contact with aromatic hydrocarbons and chlorinated hydrocarbons, which can damage the Product.

Application Guidelines

Avoid scratching, denting, or stretching the Product during application.

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Characteristic	Value	
Application Location	Interior Applications	
Applied Product Exposure Temperature	-40 °F - +149 °F (-40 °C - +65 °C)	
High Humidity Environments Products are not recommended for Interior Applications when condensation consistently occurs.		

Processing Options

The customer must test and approve the Products for use in each application, including the following:

- Laminate
- Emboss
- Die cut
- Surface treat
- Coat to be heat-sealed
- Coat with adhesive
- Mold into plastic
- Thermoform

Shelf Life and Storage

Shelf Life

Apply the Product within 2 years of the date of purchase. The storage conditions specified in this document must be maintained for full shelf life.

Storage Conditions

- 40 °F 90 °F (4 °C 32 °C)
- Away from direct sunlight and high humidity
- Clean, dry area
- Original container with end caps, in the plastic sleeve, stored horizontally, a maximum of 6 cartons high
- Bring the Product to room temperature before application

Cleaning and Maintenance

NOTE: Use caution to avoid scratching the Product during cleaning.

Cleaning depends on the customer application. Regular cleaning will help maintain the Product's appearance. Use only clean, nick-free tools and wipe gently only in one direction. Do not use ammonia, chlorine, or organic-based cleaning products, polishing or cleaning compound, sponges, brushes or electric polishing equipment.

- If there is dust and grit, wipe it off with a soft, damp cloth.
- If it is soiled, but not gritty, use water and a cloth.
- If there is heavier soil, use a mild liquid detergent and water solution, then clear water, and wipe gently with a cloth wipe.

Health and Safety



When handling any chemical products, read the manufacturers' container labels and the Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for important health, safety and environmental information. To obtain SDS sheets for 3M products go to <u>3M.com/SDS</u>, or by mail or in case of an emergency, call 1-800-364-3577 or 1-651-737-6501.

When using any equipment, always follow the manufacturers' instructions for safe operation.



WARNING: Risk of Glass Breakage Due to Thermal Expansion

Glass surfaces exposed to sunlight will absorb heat. A glass surface covered by a film with high opacity or dark-colored ink, including films with small areas of high opacity or dark-colored ink, will absorb more heat. Heat absorption can create thermal stress that results in glass breakage, or thermal cracking. This can cause personal injury and property damage. 3M specifically does not recommend using a film with high opacity or dark-colored ink on glass surfaces with significant exposure to sunlight.

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For more information or to order samples, please visit 3M.com/DICHROIC.

Change History

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- Updated Shelf Life and Storage section
- Updated warranty with 3M Basic Product Warranty section language
- · Added revision and doc type to footers

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- Updated warranty with 3M Basic Product Warranty section language.
- Added revision and doc type to footers.

WARRANTY

Product

3M DICHROIC Films DF Chill & DF Blaze (the "Product(s)").

3M Basic Product Warranty

The Product(s) specified in this document are warranted to be free of defects in materials and manufacture ("3M Basic Product Warranty") at the time of shipment ("Warranty Period") by 3M or its authorized distributor.

Limited Warranty

- 1. For the Product(s) specified in this document, 3M makes the 3M Basic Product Warranty only.
- For a buyer's convenience, 3M may provide engineering or technical information, recommendations, installation instructions or guides, and other information or materials relating to a Product ("Other Product Information"), but 3M makes only the 3M Basic Product Warranty and does not warrant any Other Product Information.
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Limited Remedy

If any Product is proven not to have met the 3M Warranty on the buyer's receipt, then the buyer's exclusive remedy, and 3M's sole obligation, will be, at 3M's option, to replace that Product quantity or refund the applicable purchase price.

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