

## **BRADY B-946**

TDS No. B-946  
Effective Date: 11/15/2010

### **Description:**

Brady B-946 indoor/outdoor marking film is a high gloss, durable, flexible, pressure sensitive adhesive product.

### **Details:**

#### **Use:**

B-946 is used for Pipemarkers, Arrow Tape, Arrow Tape, Numbers and Letters, Vehicle Placards, Pedestal Markers, Warning Panels and Safety Signs.

#### **Special Properties:**

Brady B-946 is printed with weather resistant inks and is particularly suited for use in outdoor applications where weatherability is a key consideration.

#### **Substrate Type:**

Vinyl film

#### **Standard Material Colors:**

White, red, yellow, green, blue and orange

#### **Standard Legend Colors:**

Black, blue, red, green, white, yellow, orange and magenta

#### **Thickness (PSTC-133):**

Total: 0.004 in. (0.102mm)

#### **Adhesive Properties:**

Adhesion to Steel (PSTC-101)

15 Minute Dwell to stainless steel (Avg.) -- 80 oz/in. (87.5 N/100mm)

Ultimate Dwell to stainless steel (72 Hrs.) (Avg.) -- 85 oz/in. (93 N/100mm)

15 Minute Dwell to polypropylene (Avg.) -- 60 oz/in. (65 N/100mm)

Ultimate Dwell to polypropylene (72 Hrs.) (Avg.) -- 69 oz/in. (75 N/100mm)

15 Minute Dwell to Powder Coated Metal (Avg.) -- 60 oz/in. (65 N/100mm)

Ultimate Dwell to Powder Coated Metal (72 Hrs.) (Avg.) -- 75 oz/in. (82 N/100mm)

Note: Not recommended for adhesion to Bare Concrete or Unpainted Wood

Tack (ASTM D 2979) (Avg.) -- 1100 g (10.5 N)

#### **Abrasion Resistance (Method 5306 of U.S. Federal Test Method Std. No. 191A):**

CS-10 wheels, 250 g wts.

The printed legend withstands up to 350 cycles

#### **Gloss:**

60° 50 Gardner Units

#### **Minimum Application Temperature**

0°F (-18°C)

#### **Service Temperature**

-40°F to 180°F (-40°C to 82°C)

**Average Outdoor Durability:**

8-10 years (Average expected outdoor life of product will depend on user definition of failure, climatic conditions, mounting techniques, and material color.)

**Chemical Resistance:**

| REAGENT               | 7 DAY IMMERSION | DIP TEST | Sutherland RUB TEST |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------|---------------------|
| 30% Sulfuric Acid     | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| 10% Sulfuric Acid     | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| 30% Hydrochloric Acid | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| 10% Hydrochloric Acid | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| 50% NaOH              | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| 10% NaOH              | F               | NE       | NE                  |
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone   | F               | F        | F                   |
| Acetone               | F               | F        | F                   |
| Methanol              | F               | NE       | F                   |
| IPA (Isopropanol)     | F               | NE       | F                   |
| ASTM #3 Oil           | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| SAE 20 Oil            | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| Alconox®              | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| Toluene               | F               | F        | F                   |
| Mineral Spirits       | F               | F        | F                   |
| Glacial Acetic Acid   | F               | F        | F                   |
| 5% Acetic Acid        | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| Diesel Fuel           | F               | F        | F                   |
| Heptane               | F               | NE       | F                   |
| 10% Ammonia           | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| Turpentine            | F               | F        | F                   |
| Kerosene              | NE              | F        | F                   |
| Turpentine            | F               | F        | F                   |
| Kerosene              | NE              | F        | F                   |
| 10% Sodium Chloride   | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| Water                 | NE              | NE       | NE                  |
| Gasoline              | F               | F        | F                   |

NE = No Effect  
NT = Not Tested  
F = Failed (affected sample)

7 Day Immersion: Immersed in reagent for 7 days.  
Dip Test: Five 10 minute dips in reagent with 30 minute recovery.  
Rub Test: Rubbed sample for up to 100 rubs on Sutherland Ink rub tester.

Shelf Life and Fitness for Use: Product testing, customer feedback, and history of similar products, support a customer performance expectation of one year from the date of receipt for this product as long as this product is stored in its original packaging in an environment below 80°F (27°C) and 60% RH. However, it remains the responsibility of the user to assess the risk of using such product. We encourage customers to develop functional testing protocols that will qualify a product's fitness for use, in their actual applications.

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All S.I. Units (metric) are mathematically derived from the U.S. Conventional Units

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