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**Product: PERMACOLOR® PermaGard® SAG 38**

Anti-Graffiti and Window Protection Film

## PERMACOLOR

The **PERMACOLOR** system is a series of pressure sensitive products for mounting and overlaminating in the graphic imaging industries. Pressure sensitive **PERMACOLOR** provides fast, efficient processing through cold roll lamination techniques without the need for heat, drying or messy coating operations.

## Product Description

The **PermaGard SAG Series of Superior Anti-Graffiti and window protection films** are a family of pressure sensitive adhesive coated, **optically** clear, overlaminating films that are available in 'good, better, best' quality options.

**SAG 38** ('good' option) is a 1.5 mil high gloss and ultra-clear, durable polyester face with excellent graffiti, and UV protection. It has an optically clear, acrylic, pressure sensitive adhesive protected by a 1.5 mil smooth PET film release liner.

**SAG 38** can be laminated to photographic prints, transparencies, latex, solvent-, eco-solvent, water-based and UV inkjet prints, and UV screen printed images to impart superior protection for your graphics from graffiti, light abrasion, UV light degradation, dirt, moisture and many other potentially damaging effects in both indoor and outdoor environments.

**SAG 38** has perfect optical clarity due to its film liner and therefore can be used as an *inexpensive overlaminate for perforated window films*.

**SAG 38** also *increases the impact resistance of windows*. (Note: For safety reasons (emergency exits), it is important to keep some windows unprotected). **SAG 38** can be wet applied directly to windows and mirrors or first **laminated** to a pressure sensitive print media and then applied onto flat surfaces.

**SAG 38** has **good solvent resistance**, so if tagged, the graffiti can be easily cleaned off using most commercially available graffiti removing cleaners which do not contain grit without damaging the graphic.

**NOT RECOMMENDED FOR:** Application on riveted, embossed or curved surfaces. The edges of the product could be affected in the case of frequent contact with solvents. Mactac recommends edges sealing if this is a concern.

## Durability

The durability of the film is for up to 2 years outdoors and up to 5 years indoor. While all PERMACOLOR overlaminating films have UV resistance built in to help extend the life of your image, the durability of the image is mainly dependent upon the quality of the inks (see technical data sheets given by the ink manufacturers) and pressure sensitive media being used.

## Physical Properties

Property	Typical Values	Test Method
<b>Thickness, inches (μm)</b> Film plus adhesive	0.025 (63)	ASTM D2103 (Lintec)
<b>Peel Adhesion lb./in. (N/25mm)</b> Stainless Steel - 30 min - 24 hr.	3.15 (14) 5.6 (25)	PSTC – 101 (FTM-1) (Lintec)
<b>Rolling Ball Tack, lb./in<sup>2</sup> (N/25mm)</b> Stainless Steel	3.15 (14)	FTM 9 (Lintec)
<b>Dimensional Stability, (%)</b> MD CD	< 0.02 < 0.02	FTM 14 (Lintec) 48 hours @ 158°F (70°C) Bonded to aluminum
<b>Shear, Hours to fail</b> Stainless Steel – 2.2 lbs. @ 72°F (22°C)	500+	PSTC – 7 (Lintec)
<b>Temperature Range</b> Application: End Use:	50° to 104°F (10° to 40°C) -40° to 194°F (-40° to 90°C)	
<b>Adhesive pH</b>	Neutral	TAPPI-529
<b>Face Tensile Strength (N/m)</b> <b>Elongation @ Break (%)</b>	27 (124) 65	DIN 53455

## Shelf Life

Two years when stored at 75°F (24°C) and 50% relative humidity or less. Note: Mactac recommends that rolls be stored on end or suspended from the core.

## Chemical Resistance (ANSI Z26.1 test#14 (non-stressed))

Resistant to non-abrasive soaps, denatured alcohol, water, detergents and most diluted acids and alkalis. It is not affected by short term contact with most of aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons, ketones, esters, chlorinated hydrocarbons and alcohol

## Recommendations

- Where exposure to moisture, chemicals, solvents or high pressure wash is anticipated, Mactac recommends sealing the edges with varnish, silicone or other sealant to prevent penetration by these liquids.
- The addition of heat while simultaneous mounting with Thermal Overlaminates may result in curl or have other detrimental effects on the finished product.
- Whenever possible, always test first to ensure end-use capability.

## Limitations

- 1) The user is responsible for determining the product's suitability, including adhesion and if needed, removal characteristics when used in applications other than listed specifically in this Performance Guide.
- 2) If there are any questions about applications, please contact your Mactac sales representative to discuss your requirements for recommendations.
- 3) If this is a printed Performance Guide it is an uncontrolled document. Please check the Mactac website for the latest, most up-to-date version.

## PROCESSING:

### LAMINATION:

- Mactac recommends laminating SAG films to your printed graphics with a professional laminator. Overlaminates should not be applied onto dusty or dirty prints.
- Mactac's pressure sensitive mounting films are intended for "Cold Roll Lamination" (40°F - 104°F).

### APPLICATION:

- Wet application method is recommended when used as a window protection film.

### MAINTENANCE & CLEANING:

- SAG films can be easily cleaned off using most commercially available window cleaners or and graffiti removing cleaners without damaging the graphic.
  - *Values given are typical and are not necessarily for use in specification.*



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