

# PolyCover 998-99

**IMAGin**

The IMAGin products is a series of self-adhesives especially designed for overlaminating and protecting large and medium size digital prints.

**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

POLYCOVER 998-99 is a series of polymeric soft 65 µm PVC coated on one side with a clear acrylic pressure sensitive adhesive. The adhesive is protected by a white, easy to remove paper liner.

PolyCover 998 has a matt finish whereas PolyCover 999 has a glossy one.

**POLYCOVER 998-99**

- retard colour fade caused by ultraviolet (U.V.) light exposure
- enhance colours and glossiness of the prints
- protect the images against abrasion, fingerprints etc
- do not influence the pH level of the substrate to which it is applied
- are compatible with several digital inkjet inks, including UV curable inks.
- are not compatible with substrates printed with oil-based inks.

**PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

	<b><u>Typical Values</u></b>	<b><u>Test Method</u></b>
<b><u>Adhesive data, 23°C</u></b>		
Quick Tack on glass (N/25 mm)	12	FTM 9
Peel 180° on glass (N/25 mm)	10	
- after 20 minutes	14	FTM 1
- after 24 hours	>100	FTM 1
Shear (hours) 1kg- 25x25 mm		FTM8
	<0.2	
Dimensional stability, % shrinkage, 48h at 70°C on aluminium		FTM 14 Sample mounted on aluminium
Flammability	Self-extinguishing	
<b><u>Release liner</u></b>		
White kraft paper (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	100	ISO 536
<b><u>Thickness</u></b>		
Film + adhesive (µm)	90	ISO 534 (ASTM D 645)

**HEAT RESISTANCE**

Application temperature range : + 5°C to + 40°C  
 End-use temperature range : - 30°C to +60°C

For temperatures outside those quoted above, please consult with MACtac.

## **CHEMICAL RESISTANCE**

Resistant to short periods of immersion in water and short contact with detergents, alcohol and some aliphatic solvents. Not recommended for contact with ketones, esters, aromatic solvents and chlorinated hydrocarbons.

For further technical advice, please consult with MACtac.

## **SHELF LIFE**

2 years when stored at 15 to 25 °C and ± 50 % relative humidity.

## **EXPECTED DURABILITY**

The expected vertical outdoor durability of the unprocessed product in Central Europe (Zone 1) is up to 5 years. This information is based on successful real life experience and artificial aging according to ISO4892-3.

Indoor exposure will increase the durability values of the laminating film.

**Note** : Exposure to severe temperatures, ultra-violet light as well as conditions in Southern European countries, tropical, sub-tropical or desert regions will cause more rapid deterioration. This also applies to polluted areas, high altitude and south facing exposure. No durability warranty is given for horizontal exposure. For more information, please refer to Technical Bulletin 7.5: "Outdoor Durability of combined MACtac print media and laminates".

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Where exposure to chemicals, solvents or high pressure water hoses is envisaged, it is recommended to seal the edges of the prints with varnish or silicone in order to avoid penetration of these liquids.
- Where possible, always test the proposed construction under actual application and end-use conditions because a 100% multi-purpose adhesive for all substrates does not exist.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

All MACtac products are subject to careful quality control throughout the manufacturing process and are warranted to be of merchantable quality and free from manufacturing defects.

Published information concerning MACtac products is based upon research which the Company believes to be reliable although such information does not constitute a warranty.

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