# productinformation

# tesa® Softprint 52118 Steel Master TP

Foam plate mounting tape (extra soft) for printing screens

tesa® 52118 Softprint x-soft 380 $\mu$ m is a double-coated foam tape, designed specifically for mounting photopolymer plates with a thickness of 1.14mm (0.045") or 1.70mm (0.067") in flexographic label printing.

The unique properties of tesa® 52118 Softprint x-soft 380µm make it the ideal choice for finest screen print, especially where harder digital plates are in use. Additionally, the extra cushion allows faster printing speeds, whilst reducing the effects of unwanted press "bounce".

#### Foam properties

- The extra soft foam is the ideal plate mounting solution in combination with harder, digital plates (for finest screen print)
- Highly compressible foam, with superior recovery behavior for excellent print quality
- Long lasting recovery characteristic for extended and high speed print runs
- Low thickness tolerances for quick print preparation and reduced waste

#### Adhesive properties

- Secure bonding to sleeve / cylinder, with specially enhanced removal properties
- Optimal bonding to plate to avoid edge lifting or plate movement, with residue-free removal

#### Additional properties

- The structured PP-liner prevents the formation of air pockets when plate mounting
- Yellow color coding of logo on backing indicates extra soft foam category

### Main Application

tesa® 52118 Softprint x-Soft is a 380µm (15mil) category double-coated foam tape, designed spedifically for mounting photopolymer plates with a thickness of 1.14mm (0.045") or 1.70mm (0.067") in flexographic label printing.

## Technical Data

Type of adhesive

•	Backing material	PE foam with film lamination	:	Type of liner	PP vellow
	Total thickness	430 μm		Hardness	extra soft
	Thickness category	380 μm			

tackified acrylic