

# tesa® 8684 UV epoxy

**Product Information** 



## $100\mu m$ white UV-activated structural bonding tape

## **Product Description**

tesa® UV epoxy 8684 is a white UV-activated structural bonding tape. The curing process starts upon exposure to UV light. Before curing tesa® UV epoxy has initial tack for easy pre-lamination. After activation there is an open time in which the substrates can be bonded. Thus, bonding of translucent and opaque substrates is possible. tesa® UV epoxy comes with immediate bonding strength which makes additional fixation after bonding unnecessary.

## **Product Features**

- High bonding strength, even on small bonding areas and thin design gaps
- Tacky at room temperature for easy pre-lamination
- Activation by common light curing equipment
- Bonding of translucent or opaque substrates
- Immediate bonding strength after activation
- The PET backing facilitates the die-cutting process

## **Application Fields**

tesa<sup>®</sup> UV epoxy is especially recommended for bonding of various substrates and components inside electronic devices which are sensitive to processing temperatures:

- Bonding of temperature-sensitive substrates
- Component mounting in electronic devices

## Technical Information (average values)

The values in this section should be considered representative or typical only and should not be used for specification purposes.

## **Product Construction**

• Backing	PET
<ul> <li>Type of adhesive</li> </ul>	UV-curable
Type of liner	PET

### Product Assortment

Available liners
 PET

### **Properties/Performance Values**

Bonding strength (push-out) 2.5 N/mm<sup>2</sup>

- Total thicknessColor
- 100 μm white



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### **Additional Information**

tesa® UV epoxy is a reactive adhesive. It is activated by UV light. tesa® UV epoxy can be used for bonding of translucent or opaque substrates.

### Bonding of opaque substrates

The open time of tesa<sup>®</sup> UV epoxy enables the bonding of opaque substrates like plastics and metals. tesa<sup>®</sup> UV epoxy can be activated by UV light as a die-cut or already pre-laminated onto the first substrate.

Activation of die-cuts: First the die-cut of tesa<sup>®</sup> UV epoxy is activated by UV light. The covering liner of the die-cut must be light-permeable (e.g., clear PET) to enable the activation of the tape. After activation the die-cut is pre-laminated onto the first substrate. The second substrate is then bonded by applying sufficient pressure (≥3 bar). Pre-lamination and bonding must take place within 5 min after activation.

Activation of pre-laminated parts: First remove the covering liner of tesa<sup>®</sup> UV epoxy and pre-laminate the tape onto the first substrate. The pre-laminated parts are then exposed to UV light. The second substrate is bonded by applying sufficient pressure ( $\geq$ 3 bar) within 5 min after activation.

### Bonding of translucent substrates

Translucent substrates such as clear plastics can be bonded before activation by UV light. At least one substrate must be light-permeable to enable the activation of tesa<sup>®</sup> UV epoxy. First remove the covering liner of tesa<sup>®</sup> UV epoxy and prelaminate the tape onto the first substrate. The second substrate is then bonded by applying sufficient pressure ( $\geq$ 3 bar). The bonded parts are then exposed to UV light to start curing of the adhesive.

### Pre-lamination conditions

- Before curing tesa® UV epoxy has initial tack and can be pre-laminated like a common PSA tape
- A pressure of  $\geq$ 1 bar should be applied to ensure proper wet-out to the surface

### Activation and bonding parameters

- Light source: Lamp of 365 nm
- Light dose: 2.5 5 J/cm<sup>2</sup> UV-A
- Activation time:  $\geq 5 \text{ s}$
- Pressure: ≥ 3 bar
- Bonding time:  $\geq$  10 s

Bonding strength values were obtained under standard laboratory conditions. (Material: PC test specimen / bonding conditions: UV dose: 4.5 J/cm<sup>2</sup> UV-A; activation time: 45 s; pressure: 10 bar for 30 s). To reach maximum bonding strength surfaces should be clean and dry.



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