

## BRADY B-492 FREEZERBONDZ WHITE POLYESTER THERMAL PRINTABLE LABEL STOCK

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Description: <u>GENERAL</u> Print Technology: Thermal Transfer Material Type: Polyester Finish: White film with white thermal transfer printable topcoat Adhesive: Permanent Acrylic

APPLICATIONS

B-492 Freezerbondz<sup>™</sup> is designed for use in laboratory identification such as vials, centrifuge tubes, test tubes, straws, and slides.

### RECOMMENDED RIBBONS

Brady Series R6400 Brady Series R4300 (alternate)\* Please note that testing described in this Technical Data Sheet was performed on materials printed with the Brady Series R6400 ribbon. \*Note: Brady Series R4300 ribbon may be used if chemical resistance is not required with Ethanol, Toluene and Xylene.

### **REGULATORY APPROVALS**

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### SPECIAL FEATURES

B-492 Freezerbondz<sup>™</sup> can be applied to frozen surfaces including glass and polypropylene stored in liquid nitrogen. B-492 offers excellent print smudge resistance, solvent resistance when using the Brady Series R6400 Ribbon, and excellent low temperature performance. B-492 performs well in common laboratory environments such as liquid nitrogen and freezer applications.

Select the video links below for demonstration of product use.

### Details:

| PHYSICAL PROPERTIES | TEST METHODS             | AVERAGE RESULTS            |
|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Thickness           | ASTM D 1000              |                            |
|                     | -Total (excluding liner) | 0.0032 inch (0.081 mm)     |
| Adhesion to:        | ASTM D 1000              |                            |
| -Glass              | 20 minute dwell          | 30 oz/in (33 N/100 mm)     |
|                     | 24 hour dwell            | 40 oz/in (43 N/100 mm)     |
| -Polypropylene      | 20 minute dwell          | 12 oz/in (13 N/100 mm)     |
|                     | 24 hour dwell            | 20 oz/in (22 N/100 mm)     |
| -Stainless steel    | 20 minute dwell          | 15 oz/inch (16.6 N/100 mm) |
|                     | 24 hour dwell            | 22 oz/inch (24.4 N/100 mm) |

# ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE PROPERTIES

# LABEL APPLIED TO ROOM TEMPERATURE SURFACE

B-492 samples were printed with Series R6400 ribbon. Printed B-492 samples were laminated at room temperature to surfaces listed below and allowed to dwell 24 hours at room temperature prior to exposure to the indicated environments. Labels applied with three applications (gapped, overlapped [with 1/8" overlap], longitudinal to 1.5 mL Eppendorf tubes, 5 mL Cryogenic (polypropylene) vials, 15 mL and 50 mL Polypropylene tubes, 15 mL Glass tubes, wrapped around straws and flat on plastic Whirl-pak bags and boxes. For best results label should be wrapped around and overlapped on itself by at least 1/8".

NOTE for Surfaces: Testing was completed on the following surfaces; Cardboard, Aluminum and Stainless steel boxes<sup>1</sup>; Eppendorf 1.5mL tube and tube tops<sup>1</sup>, Xryogenic (Polypropylene) vials 5mL<sup>2</sup>, 50mL Polypropylene tubes<sup>1</sup>, 15mL Polypropylene tubes<sup>3</sup>, 15mL Glass tubes<sup>1</sup>, Plastic bags (Whirl-pak)<sup>4</sup> and Straws<sup>5</sup>

Manufacturer:

- <sup>1</sup> = VWR International
- <sup>2</sup> = Nalgene®
- <sup>3</sup> = Becton Dickinson Labware Blue Max<sup>™</sup> Jr.
- <sup>4</sup> = Nasco
- <sup>5</sup> = Penetration innovation (Small straw #13441/0280), (Large straw #19042/0010)

| ENVIRONMENT                      | TEST METHOD   | TYPICAL RESULTS   |  |  |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| High Service Temperature         | 30 days at various temperatures   | Moderate discoloration at 230°F (110°C),<br>no visible effect to print. Severe yellowing<br>at 266°F (130°C), label still functional  |  |  |
| Liquid Nitrogen                  | 3 cycles of 4 hours at -320°F (-196°C)<br>and 20 hours at room temperature                | <ul> <li>Glass test tube 1/8" overlap, gapped,<br/>longitudinal</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial 1/8" overlap,<br/>gapped, longitudinal</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Straws; Large &amp; Small</li> <li>Plastic Whirl-Pak bags</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> <li>Aluminum and cardboard storage boxes</li> </ul>                  |  |  |
| Freezer                          | 3 cycles of 16 hours at -112°F (-80°C)<br>and 8 hours at room temperature                 | <ul> <li>Glass test tube ½" overlap, gapped,<br/>longitudinal</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial ½" overlap,<br/>gapped, longitudinal</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Straws; Large &amp; Small</li> <li>Plastic Whirl-Pak bags</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> <li>Stainless steel, aluminum and<br/>cardboard storage boxes</li> </ul> |  |  |
| Liquid Nitrogen to boiling water | 1 hour at -320°F (-190°C) then placed in<br>boiling water 212°F (100°C) for 10<br>minutes | <ul> <li>Glass test tube 1/8" overlap, gapped,<br/>longitudinal</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, gapped</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, 1/8" overlapped,<br/>longitudinal</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| Freezer to boiling water         | 1 hour at -112°F (-80°C) then placed in<br>boiling water 212°F (100°C for 10<br>minutes   | <ul> <li>Glass test tube 1/8" overlap, gapped,<br/>longitudinal</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, gapped</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, longitudinal, 1/8"<br/>overlap</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> </ul>   |  |  |

Label suitable for application; no visible effect, label remains adhered to test surface

♦= Label may work in application; test results were mixed

**X** = Label not recommended for application; label came off either during testing or after test surface was removed from environment. <sup>1</sup>Metal surfaces should be labeled at room temperature only.

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE PROPERTIES**

## LABEL APPLIED TO COLD SURFACE

B-492 samples were printed with the Brady Series R6400 ribbon. Surfaces listed below were stored for 24 hours in either liquid nitrogen at -320°F (-196°C) or in a freezer ar -112°F (-80°C). Printed B-492 samples were then laminated immediately after removal of the surfaces from liquid nitrogen or freezer. Labels were applied with three applications (gapped, overlapped [with <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" overlap], longitudinal) to glass test tubes (1.1 cm outer diameter) and polypropylene tubes (1.5 ml and 5ml capacity). For best results label should be wrapped around and overlapped on itself by at least <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>".

| ENVIRONMENT                      | TEST METHOD   | TYPICAL RESULTS   |  |  |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Liquid Nitrogen                  | 3 cycles of 4 hours at -320°F (-196°C)<br>and 20 hours at room temperature                | <ul> <li>Glass test tube, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" overlap</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" overlap</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Plastic Whirl-Pak bags</li> <li>Straws; Large &amp; Small</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> <li>Cardboard storage boxes</li> </ul>   |  |  |
| Freezer                          | 3 cycles of 16 hours at -112°F (-80°C)<br>and 8 hours at room temperature                 | <ul> <li>Glass test tube, gapped</li> <li>Glass test tube, longitudinal, ¼" overlap</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, gapped</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, ¼" overlap, longitudinal</li> <li>Plastic Whirl-Pak bags</li> <li>Straws; Large &amp; Small</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> <li>Stainless steel, aluminum and cardboard storage boxes</li> </ul> |  |  |
| Liquid Nitrogen to boiling water | 1 hour at -320°F (-190°C) then placed in<br>boiling water 212°F (100°C) for 10<br>minutes | <ul> <li>Glass test tube, gapped</li> <li>Glass test tube <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" overlap, longitudinal</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" overlap</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| Freezer to boiling water         | 1 hour at -112°F (-80°C) then placed in<br>boiling water 212°F (100°C for 10<br>minutes   | <ul> <li>Glass test tube, gapped</li> <li>Glass test tube, ½" overlap, longitudinal</li> <li>Polypropylene tube/vial, ½" overlap</li> <li>Glass microscope slide</li> <li>Flat polypropylene</li> <li>Aluminum foil</li> </ul>  |  |  |

| PERFORMANCE PROPERTIES  | CHEMICAL RESISTANCE  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| The chemical resistance of B-492 samples printed with the Brady Series R6400 and the Brady Series R4300 ribbons was tested at |  |  |  |  |  |
| room temperature. Printed samples were laminated to aluminum  | panels and allowed to dwell 24 hours prior to testing. Samples |  |  |  |  |

room temperature. Printed samples were laminated to aluminum panels and allowed to dwell 24 hours prior to testing. Samples immersed in test solvents for 15 minutes. The samples were removed and rubbed 10 times with a cotton swab saturated with the test fluid. The rating scale below show the effect to the quality of the print for each sample.

| CHEMICAL<br>REAGENT | SUBJECTIVE OBSERVATION OF VISUAL CHANGE |                          |          |             |          |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------|----------|-------------|----------|
|                     |   | EFFECTS TO PRINTED IMAGE |          |             |          |
|                     | EFFECT TO<br>LABEL STOCK                | R6400                    |          | R4300       |          |
|                     |   | WITHOUT RUB              | WITH RUB | WITHOUT RUB | WITH RUB |
| Ethanol             | No visible effect                       | 1                        | 1        | 1           | 2        |
| Toluene             | Slight edge infiltration or lifting     | 1                        | 1        | 1           | 4        |

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| Isopropanol                 | Slight edge infiltration or lifting  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Xylene                      | Slight edge infiltration or lifting  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Dimethylsulfoxide<br>(DMSO) | No visible effect                    | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 50% Acetic Acid             | No visible effect                    | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 10% Sodium<br>Hydroxide     | Topcoat<br>delaminates from<br>label | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| 10% Chlorox®<br>Solution    | No visible effect                    | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

## **Rating Scale**

1 = no visible effect

- 2 = slight smear or print removal, detectable but minimal smear
- 3 = moderate smear or print removal (print still legible)
- 4 = severe smear or print removal (print illegible or just barely legible)
- 5 = complete print and/or topcoat removal

## Shelf Life:

Shelf life is two years 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 ( $27^{\circ}$  C) and 60% RH. It remains the responsibility of the user to assess the risk of using this product. We encourage customers to develop testing protocols that will qualify a product's fitness for use in their actual application.

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