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Standard Test Methods for Bondable Silicone Rubber Tapes Used for Electrical Insulation¹

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^ε¹ NOTE—Adjunct information was updated editorially in January 2021.

1. Scope*

1.1 These test methods cover tests for bondable silicone rubber tapes which form a sealed structure either with the application of heat (and pressure if needed) or by the process of auto-adhesion (self-fusing).

1.2 These test methods appear in the following sections:

Test Method	Section
Adhesion	3 – 10
Bond Strength	11 – 18
Dielectric Breakdown Voltage	19 – 26
Hardness	41
Length	33 and 34
Thickness	27 – 32
Width	36 – 40

1.3 *Units*—The values stated in SI units are the standard. The inch-pound units in parentheses are for information only. The values stated in each system are not necessarily exact equivalents; therefore, to ensure conformance with the standard, each system shall be used independently of the other, and values from the two systems shall not be combined.

1.4 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.* For a specific hazard statement see 23.1.1.

1.5 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

¹ These test methods are under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee D09 on Electrical and Electronic Insulating Materials and are the direct responsibility of Subcommittee D09.07 on Electrical Insulating Materials.

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2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

D149 Test Method for Dielectric Breakdown Voltage and Dielectric Strength of Solid Electrical Insulating Materials at Commercial Power Frequencies

D374/D374M Test Methods for Thickness of Solid Electrical Insulation

D618 Practice for Conditioning Plastics for Testing

D1000 Test Methods for Pressure-Sensitive Adhesive-Coated Tapes Used for Electrical and Electronic Applications

D1458 Test Methods for Fully Cured Silicone Rubber-Coated Glass Fabric and Tapes for Electrical Insulation (Withdrawn 2019)³

D2240 Test Method for Rubber Property—Durometer Hardness

2.2 ASTM Adjuncts:

Tack Tester (one drawing)⁴

ADHESION

3. Scope

3.1 This test method covers the determination of the self-adhesion of unsupported, self-fusing silicone rubber rectangular and taper-edge (Note 1) tape designed for use as electrical insulation.

NOTE 1—Taper-edge tape includes such cross sections as triangular, lens, etc.

3.2 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the*

² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

⁴ Available from ASTM International Headquarters. Order Adjunct No. ADJD2148-E-PDF. Original adjunct produced in 1965. Adjunct last revised in 2021.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard