

# 3M Window Films

## 1. Product Name

Prestige Window Films

## 2. Manufacturer

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## 3. Product Description

### BASIC USE

3M™ offers a large selection of window films to meet a variety of requirements. 3M window films reject heat and block nearly all of the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays, and many are recommended by The Skin Cancer Foundation as effective UV protectants. 3M window films resist peeling, bubbling, scratching and abrasion and are backed by warranties that are among the most comprehensive available.

3M's premium Prestige Window Films are specifically designed to increase indoor comfort, lower energy costs and reduce the harmful effects of the sun's rays on interior furnishings in both commercial and residential applications. With 4 film styles from which to choose, Prestige films were tested using the Total Solar Energy Rejected - On Angle test and were proven to perform their best at the hottest part of the day when the sun is high. They reject up to 97% of the sun's infrared light and block 99.9% of the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays. This helps to keep buildings and homes cool, reduces energy demands and prevents premature refinishing or replacement of carpet, hardwood floors, furniture, art and window coverings due to sun and UV damage.

Prestige Window Films have low reflectivity, with 2 styles being less reflective than the glass they cover. Because they are manufactured without metals, these films are not susceptible to corrosion in coastal environments and do not interfere with mobile phone reception.

### COMPOSITION & MATERIALS

Prestige Window Films have a nominal thickness of 2 mil and are composed of optically clear polyester. They contain at least 220 layers and

have an acrylic pressure sensitive adhesive on one side and an acrylic abrasion resistant coating on the other. The film incorporates infrared-absorbing carbon and is uniform without noticeable pinholes, streaks, thin spots, scratches, banding or other optical defects. The variation in total transmission across the width at any portion along the length does not exceed 2% over the average.

### TYPES & SIZES

- Prestige 70 - Clear film
- Prestige 60 - Clear film
- Prestige 50 - Lightly tinted film
- Prestige 40 - Lightly tinted film

Prestige Window Films are available in 100' (30 m) rolls, in widths of 40", 50" and 72" (1016, 1270 and 1829 mm).

### BENEFITS

- Helps protect products from fading caused by UV rays
- Rejects solar heat even during the hottest part of the day, increasing comfort and saving energy
- Metal-free composition helps to prevent film corrosion in coastal environments and prevents interference with mobile phone reception
- Tinted and clear film options are available
- Available in 2 models that reflect less light than glass
- Resists abrasion

## 4. Technical Data

### APPLICABLE STANDARDS

#### ASTM International (ASTM)

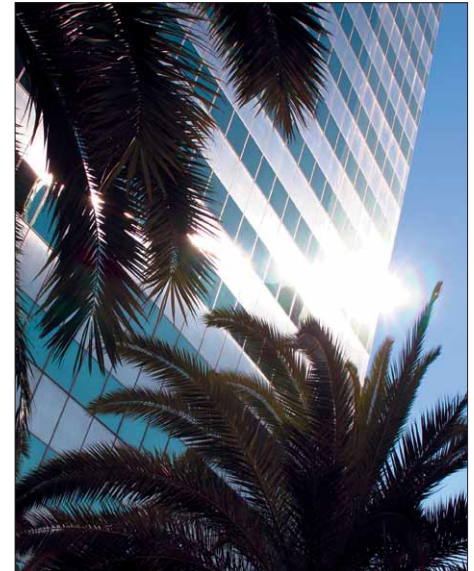
- ASTM E84 Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials
- ASTM E308 Standard Practice for Computing the Colors of Objects by Using the CIE System
- ASTM E903 Standard Test Method for Solar Absorptance, Reflectance, and Transmittance of Materials Using Integrating Spheres (Withdrawn 2005)
- ASTM G26 Practice for Operating Light-Exposure Apparatus (Xenon-Arc Type) With and Without Water for Exposure of Nonmetallic Materials (Withdrawn 2000)

### APPROVALS

The Skin Cancer Foundation

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Emissivity and u-value properties are determined based upon the established calculation procedure defined by the 1997 ASHRAE



(American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers) Handbook of Fundamentals. See Table 1 for details concerning the physical properties of Prestige Window Films.

### FIRE PERFORMANCE

Prestige Window Films meet Class A requirements for surface burning characteristics when tested in accordance with ASTM E84:

- Flamespread - 25 maximum
- Smoke developed - 450 maximum

## 5. Installation

### PREPARATORY WORK

Deliver products in manufacturer's original, unopened, undamaged containers with identification labels intact. Store materials protected from exposure to harmful environmental conditions and at temperature and humidity conditions recommended by the manufacturer.

Provide clear access to work areas. Verify that site conditions are acceptable for installation. Do not proceed with installation until unacceptable conditions are corrected.

Examine glass surfaces to receive the new film and verify that they are free from defects and imperfections that will affect the final appearance. Correct and/or note all such deficiencies prior to applying the film.

Use protective tarps or drop cloths to cover interior furnishings, floor, carpet, window ledges and walls near the window(s) receiving the film installation. Turn off or cover heating, air conditioning and ventilation ducts to reduce dirt and dust in the air or on the glass.

Place toweling or other absorbent material on the window sill or sash to absorb moisture generated by the cleaning and film application process. Clean the window and window framing thoroughly with a neutral cleaning solution. If the window putty or seal is old and cracked, tape or seal it prior to washing the glass. Using a solution comprised of 90% water to 10% ammonia, clean glass with a blade scraper or industrial razor to ensure the removal of contaminants. Thoroughly rinse the glass from top to bottom with water from a pressure spray tank. Squeegee the entire glass surface. Dry the glass edges and window frames using a lint-free towel.

**METHODS**

Measure the glass and cut the film edges neatly and squarely to fit, or cut the film 1" (25.4 mm) wider and longer for trimming to size after positioning. No edge seal is required.

Mix a film slip solution comprised of 1 capful of baby shampoo or dishwashing liquid to 1 gallon (3.8 L) of water. Spray the solution on the glass and film to facilitate proper film positioning. Use no more soap than is needed to provide slip. Apply film to the glass and lightly spray it with the slip solution. Use polyplastic bladed squeegees to remove excess water and to maximize the bonding of the pressure sensitive adhesive.

Trim the film to size if needed before using the squeegee a second time, making sure to use a new blade tip after 3 - 4 cuts. Spray the slip solution to the film and squeegee a second time. Bump the film edge with a lint-free towel wrapped around the edge of a 5-way tool. Wipe the frame edge dry.

After installation, the film may have a dimpled appearance from residual moisture. Under reasonable weather conditions, the film will dry flat within 30 days.

**PRECAUTIONS**

Use all necessary means to protect the film before, during and after installation.

**BUILDING CODES**

Installation must comply with the requirements of all applicable local, state and federal code jurisdictions.

**6. Availability & Cost**

**AVAILABILITY**

Contact 3M Building Safety Solutions Window Film for information on local availability, or reference the 3M online tool under

Customer Support - Where to Buy at <http://solutions.3m.com>

**COST**

Budget installed cost information may be obtained from 3M Building Safety Solutions Window Film.

**7. Warranty**

Prestige Window Films are warranted by 3M for a period of 15 years in that the film will maintain solar reflective properties without cracking, crazing, delaminating, bubbling, peeling or discoloring. In the event that the product is found to be defective under warranty, the seller will replace such quantity of the film proved to be defective, and will additionally provide the removal and reapplication labor free of charge. 3M also warrants against glass failure due to thermal shock glass fracture. This is warranted to a maximum value of \$500 per window, provided the film is applied to recommended types of glass and the failure occurs within 60 months from the start of application. Any glass failure must be reviewed by 3M prior to replacement.

Complete warranty terms and conditions are available from the manufacturer. For details, consult 3M Building Safety Solutions Window Film.

**8. Maintenance**

The film may be washed 30 days after application using common window cleaning solutions, including ammonia solutions. Abrasive cleaning agents and bristle brushes that could scratch the film must not be used. These films may also be cleaned with a mild dishwashing soap. Synthetic sponges, squeegees or soft cloths are recommended.

**9. Technical Services**

Technical assistance, including more detailed information, product literature, test results, project lists, assistance in preparing project specifications and arrangements for application supervision, is available by contacting 3M Building Safety Solutions Window Film.

**10. Filing Systems**

- Reed First Source
- MANU-SPEC®
- Additional product information is available from 3M Building Safety Solutions Window Film upon request.

TABLE 1 PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Model	PR 70	PR 60	PR 50	PR 40
Thickness	> 2 mil	> 2 mil	> 2 mil	> 2 mil
Emissivity (ASHRAE)	0.78	0.78	0.78	0.78
U-value (ASHRAE)	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.99
Visible light transmission (ASTM E308)	68%	61%	50%	39%
Visible reflection - Exterior (ASTM E903)	9%	8%	8%	7%
Visible reflection - Interior (ASTM E903)	9%	8%	7%	6%
Ultraviolet rejected (ASTM E903)	> 99.9%	> 99.9%	> 99.9%	> 99.9%
Infrared energy rejected (ASTM E308, E903)	97%	97%	97%	97%
Luminous efficacy (ASTM E903)	1.17	1.11	0.98	0.83
Shading coefficient - at 90 degrees (normal incidence) (ASTM E903)	0.58	0.55	0.51	0.47
Total solar energy rejected (TSER) at 90 degrees (normal incidence) (ASTM E903)	50%	52%	56%	59%
TSER - 60 degree angle (ASTM E903)	59%	61%	63%	66%

Note: Performances are based upon 1/4" (6.4 mm) clear glass.

