

**BRADY B-321 BRADYSLEEVE MARKER**

TDS No. B-321  
Effective Date: 03/21/2019

**Description:**

**GENERAL**

**Print Technology:** Dot matrix and thermal transfer

**Material Type:** Heat shrinkable, high density polyolefin film

**Finish:** Sleeves supplied in various configurations including pin-feed roll.

**APPLICATIONS**

B-321 BradySleeve™ Markers are used to identify electrical wires and cables used in the manufacturing and construction industries, or in maintenance activities where specifications or environments require the use of sleeves.

The special print receptive topcoating on the sleeves absorbs printing inks and provides permanent legibility, even under severe conditions.

**RECOMMENDED RIBBONS**

Brady Series R5000 for dot matrix printing

Brady Series R6200 for thermal transfer printing

**REGULATORY APPROVALS**

For information on the Weee-RoHS compliance status for a Brady Product go to one of the following websites:

In Canada: [www.bradycanada.ca/weee-rohs](http://www.bradycanada.ca/weee-rohs)

In Europe: [www.bradyeurope.com/rohs](http://www.bradyeurope.com/rohs)

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All other regions: [www.bradyid.com/weee-rohs](http://www.bradyid.com/weee-rohs)

*Note- Past B-321 in the market is RoHS compliant using Exemption 10a for DecaBDE in Polymeric Materials (10/13/2005). Materials labeled with RoHS compliant statement on product packaging is PBDE free and is RoHS compliant without Exemption 10a for DecaBDE.*

**Details:**

MARKER SIZE		RANGE OF WIRE DIAMETER (in)	RANGE OF WIRE DIAMETER (mm)
0.250"	HCPS-2508	0.035-0.075	0.89-1.90
0.333"	HCPS-3336	0.075-0.130	1.90-3.30
0.375"	HCPS-3758	0.130-0.160	3.30-4.06
0.500"	HCPS-5008	0.160-0.235	4.06-5.97
0.625"	HCPS-6258	0.235-0.290	5.97-7.36
0.667"	HCPS-6676	0.290-0.335	7.36-8.51
0.750"	HCPS-7508	0.335-0.390	8.51-9.91
0.833"	HCPS-8336	0.390-0.440	9.91-11.17
1.00"	HCPS-1008	0.375-0.540	9.53-13.72
0.350"	PPS-350	0.085-0.140	2.16-3.56
0.500"	PPS-500	0.160-0.235	4.06-5.97
0.750"	PPS-750	0.335-0.390	8.51-9.91
1.00"	PPS-100	0.375-0.540	9.53-13.72
0.350"	PTS-350	0.085-0.140	2.16-3.56
0.500"	PTS-500	0.160-0.235	4.06-5.97
0.750"	PTS-750	0.335-0.390	8.51-9.91
1.00"	PTS-1000	0.375-0.540	9.53-13.72

Shrink Method: Any industrial grade heat gun may be used to shrink B-321 BradySleeve™ markers.

PERFORMANCE PROPERTIES	TEST METHOD	TYPICAL RESULTS
Total Sleeve Thickness	ASTM D 1000	0.0170 inch (0.43 mm)
Sleeve Wall Thickness (unshrunk)	ASTM D 1000	0.0065 inch (0.16 mm)

Tensile and Elongation of Sleeve Film	ASTM D 882 Machine direction, 20 in/min crosshead speed	26 lb/inch (525 N/100 mm), 650% elongation
High Service Temperatures	5 minutes at 392°F (200°C) 24 minutes at 320°F (160°C) 1000 hours at 248°F (120°C)	Slight discoloration of sleeves but still easily functional, no visible effect to printing.
Low Service Temperature	1000 hours at -40°F (-40°C)	No visible effect
Humidity Resistance	1000 hours at 100°F/95% R.H.	No visible effect
UV Light Resistance	ASTM G155, Cycle 1 without water spray 1000 hours in Xenon Arc Chamber	Yellow discoloration of topcoat. Print still legible.
Weatherability	ASTM G155, Cycle 1 1000 hours in Xenon Arc Weatherometer	Slight yellow discoloration of topcoat. Print still legible.
Salt Fog Resistance	1000 hours at 5% Salt Spray	No visible effect
Marking Permanence	Samples tested heat shrunk.	Print still easily legible
MIL-M-81531 20 erasure rubs	20 eraser rubs with hard hand pressure.	Print still easily legible in all 3 test fluids
MIL-STD-202, Method 215J Solution A	3 cycles of 3 minute immersions in specified fluids followed by toothbrush rub after each immersion.	
Solution C Solution D		

Samples tested printed with the Brady Series R5000 ribbon and the Brady Series R6200 thermal transfer ribbon. Results are the same with both ribbons unless stated otherwise.

Solution A: 1 part isopropyl alcohol, 3 parts mineral spirits

Solution B: deleted from MIL-STD-202, Method 215J

Solution C: BIOACT® EC-7R™ terpene defluxer

Solution D: 42 parts water, 1 part propylene glycol monomethyl ether, 1 part monoethanolamine at 70°C

Samples dot-matrix printed using Brady R5000 Series ribbon and shrunk on appropriate size wires. Test conducted at room temperature after 24 hour dwell. Testing consisted of 5 cycles of 10 minute immersions in the specified chemical reagent followed by 30 minute recovery periods. Samples rubbed with cotton swab after final immersion.

CHEMICAL REAGENT	SUBJECTIVE OBSERVATION OF VISUAL CHANGE	
	TUBING AND PRINTING WITHOUT SWAB RUB	PRINTING WITH SWAB RUB
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	No visible effect	Print removed
Toluene	No visible effect	Print removed
Isopropyl Alcohol	No visible effect	No visible effect
JP-8 Jet Fuel	No visible effect	No visible effect
Kerosene	No visible effect	slight print fade
Mil 5606 Oil	Topcoat slightly stained red	No visible effect
Mil 7808 Oil	Topcoat slightly stained brown	No visible effect
Speedi Kut Cutting Oil 332	No visible effect	No visible effect
Gasoline	No visible effect	Slight print fade
Rust Veto® 377	Topcoat slightly stained orange	No visible effect
Skydrol® 500B-4	No visible effect	Moderate print fade
Super Agitene®	No visible effect	Slight print fade
BIOACT® EC-7R™ Terpene Cleaner	No visible effect	Slight print fade
Deionized Water	No visible effect	No visible effect
3% Alconox® Detergent	No visible effect	No visible effect
5% Salt (NaCl) solution	No visible effect	No visible effect
Propylene Glycol	No visible effect	No visible effect

Samples thermal transfer printed using the Brady Series R6200 ribbon and shrunk on appropriate size wires. Test conducted at room temperature after 24 hour dwell. Testing consisted of 5 cycles of 10 minute immersions in the specified chemical reagent followed by 30 minute recovery periods. Samples rubbed with a cotton swab after final immersion.

CHEMICAL REAGENT	SUBJECTIVE OBSERVATION OF VISUAL CHANGE	
	TUBING AND PRINTING WITHOUT SWAB RUB	PRINTING WITH SWAB RUB
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	No visible effect	Print removed

Toluene	No visible effect	Print removed
Isopropyl Alcohol	No visible effect	Slight print fade
JP-8 Jet Fuel	No visible effect	Slight print fade
Kerosene	No visible effect	Slight print fade
Mil 5606 Oil	Topcoat slightly stained red	Slight print fade
Mil 7808 Oil	Topcoat slightly stained brown	No visible effect
Speedi Kut Cutting Oil 332	No visible effect	Slight print fade
Gasoline	No visible effect	Slight print fade
Rust Veto® 377	Topcoat slightly stained orange	Slight print fade
Skydrol® 500B-4	No visible effect	Print removed
Super Agitene®	No visible effect	Slight print fade
BIOACT® EC-7R™ Terpene Cleaner	No visible effect	Slight print fade
Deionized Water	No visible effect	No visible effect
3% Alconox® Detergent	No visible effect	No visible effect
5% Salt (NaCl) solution	No visible effect	No visible effect
Propylene Glycol	No visible effect	No visible effect

**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° 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 applications.

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