# **Clear Hardcoat Film**

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## Introduction:

A crystal clear, super hard polymer film coating imparts a durable, scratch-resistant surface that looks and wears like glass when adhered to any product surface. **Hardcoat Film** is available as a coated PET, PMMA or PC film in 5 mil (125µm) and 7 mil (175µm) thicknesses.

## **Typical Applications:**

- · Touch screens
- Consumer product cover glass replacement
  - ✓ Protect non-chemically strengthened glass
  - ✓ Provide scratch resistance to PMMA and polycarbonate lens
  - ✓ Glass replacement on LCD displays
- Improved membrane and capacitive switch wear layers
- · Appliance and automotive decorative films
- Point of purchase (POP) and Point of Information (POI) displays
- Many more...

# with film processing

1. Glass performance

**KEY FEATURES:** 

Glass-like surface
 Optically clear
 Super hard

4. Scratch resistant

6. Flexible

5. Chemical resistant

2. Easy to clean

**KEY BENEFITS:** 

3. Easy to fabricate

## Hardcoat Film Layers

**Super Hard Coating** 

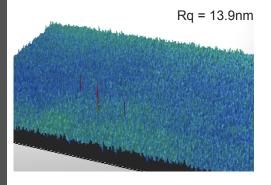
	Base Film	•	PET PMMA PC	
Ì	Protective Film (Optional)			

## **Typical Specifications:**

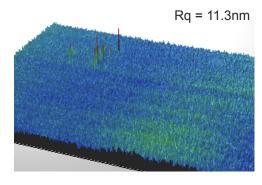
Substrate Thickness:

Pencil hardness on PET:	6H
Refractive index:	1.52
Surface energy [dynes/cm]:	~25
Water contact angle [degree]:	85
Dodecane contact angle [degree]:	25

Suitable substrate: PET, Polycarbonate, PMMA



Hardcoat Film on PET



125µ | 175µ

Leading Cover Glass

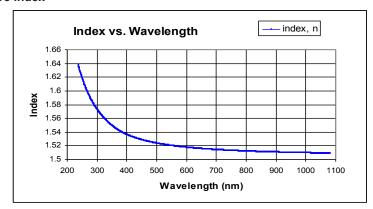
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#### Cleaning & Maintenance

Hardcoat Film requires very little maintenance after application, however it is recommended to wipe the film with a damp microfiber cloth when needed. Glass cleaning products are also safe to use.

# **Typical Technical Specifications**

#### **Refractive Index**



Category	Specification	Test Method	Hard Coat
	Hardcoat Film Layer		5μm to 25μm
Dimensions	Carrier Film		PET, PMMA, PC
	Carrier Film Thickness		125µm, 175µm
	Refractive Index		1.52 Hardcoat Film material only @ 550nm
	Transmission	ASTM D1003	> 90.5% A 2.8% improvement over uncoated PET (free standing film measurement)
	Haze	ASTM D1003	< 0.6% - base PET haze < 0.6% - Hardcoat Film on PET (free standing film measurement)
Optical Performance	Gloss	ASTM D523	20° = 84, 60° = 90, 85° = 92 (Gloss Units)
	Yellowness Index	ASTM E313 D65 2 degrees	YI = 0.7832 Transmission YI = -1.7558 Reflection
	Color Change for D65	Δu', Δv' for D65 (1976 CIE u', v')	$\Delta u' = -0.0002$ $\Delta v' = -0.0006$ Transmission $\Delta u' = 0.0005$ $\Delta v' = 0.0010$ Reflection
	Brightness Loss	Photometer	< 1.7% decrease when film is laminated to display
Surface Properties	Surface Energy	Contact Angle Goniometer Measurements	25 – 27 dynes/cm (water contact angle: 88±2°)
	Surface Roughness	WYKO NT1100 Optical Profiling System	Ra = 11.0nm Rq = 13.9nm
Wear	Abrasion	Wyzenbeek: Denim, 1000 cycles, 500g	Transmission: 0. 4% loss after test
		Taber: CS-10 wheels, 500 cycles, 500g	Haze: 0.0% change after test
Scratch Resistance	Hardness	ASTM D3363	6H on PET
Bend	Mandrel, inside radius	ASTM E290-09	2cm
Thermal Stress	Operating Temperature	-20°C to 65°C, 100 cycles	Pass
mermal stress	Storage Temperature	-40°C for 48 hrs	Pass
Chemical	Chemical Resistance	ASTM D1308: exposure* for 1 hour @ 70°F	Pass
Crientical	*IPA, acetone, Windex, vinegar, coffee, tea, cola, ketchup, yellow mustard		

#### **Product Size Availability:**

Master Rolls up to 58" (1475 mm) Slitting to custom widths is available

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