

# Scotch® Fine Line Tape 218



## Technical Data

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### Product Description

Scotch® Fine Line Tape 218 is a high-performance film backed tape with low profile and high adhesion to achieve excellent paint lines and for other masking and holding applications.

### Product Construction

Backing	Adhesive	Color	Standard Roll Length
Polypropylene plastic film	Rubber adhesive with an ideal balance of properties for masking use	Green, matte finish	60 yds. (54.9 m)

### Typical Physical Properties

**Note: The following technical information and data should be considered representative or typical only and should not be used for specification purposes.**

		ASTM Test Method
Adhesion to Steel:	37 oz./in. width (40 N/100 mm)	D-3330
Tensile Strength:	13 lbs./in. width (228 N/100 mm)	D-3759
Elongation at Break:	720%	D-3759
Tape Thickness:	5.0 mils (0.13 mm)	D-3652
Temperature Use Range:	Up to 250°F (121°C) for 30 minutes	

### Features

- Will give an excellent color line separation due to its thinness.
- The specially processed film backing stretches easily for smooth curves, yet can be easily torn by hand with a quick tearing action.
- Specially processed film backing will allow taping over fresh paint jobs sooner than paper tapes with less chance of imprint damage.
- Has excellent moisture and solvent resistance.
- Not considered a high temperature tape but could be used on bake cycles up to 250°F (121°C) for up to 30 minutes.
- Should not be subjected to outdoor exposure or prolonged periods of sunlight as tape may become difficult to remove.

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## Application Ideas

- Fine Line paint masking
- Circuit board conformal coat masking
- Electroplating stop off masking, non-critical
- Circuit board splash mask protection
- Moisture resistant masking
- Can sealing
- Solvent resistant masking
- Silk screen masking
- Lettering
- Labeling (surface writable)

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## Storage

Store under normal conditions of 70°F (21°C) and 50% R.H. in the original carton.

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## Shelf Life

To obtain best performance, use this product within one year from date of manufacture.

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