AURA® 188 Metalized Prismatic Grade Sheeting

Product Code: 0188 Product Data Bulletin

Product Overview

Aura Optical Systems' AURA® 188 Metalized Prismatic Grade Sheeting is a microprismatic retroreflective sheeting with up to 7-years durability for delineators, vehicle markings, and other safety devices. It is available in several colors and exceeds the reflectivity requirements of ASTM D-4956, Type V.

Key Features

- Metalized, single-ply construction to prevent edge-lifting and eliminate water ingress on cut letters or numbers. Edgesealing is not required.
- Microprismatic optical elements aligned in multiple directions for a more uniform reflective appearance across different rotations.
- Aggressive high-tack adhesive for bonding to many different substrates

Physical Characteristics & Properties

| Durability | Up to 7-years when properly installed. Vertical exposure only. | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Retroreflective Elements | Microprisms, metalized with vacuum-deposited aluminum | |
| Product Thickness | 13 mils, excluding release liner | |
| Release Liner | Poly Film Release Liner | |
| Adhesive | Aggressive high-tack adhesive for bonding to aluminum and many paint surfaces and plastics [†] . | |
| Application Temperature | 15°C (60°F) minimum | |

Suitability of the product for a specific substrate should always be tested prior to application. Aura Optical Systems offers a variety of testing services to assist with such testing.

Note: Covered by one or more US or International pending patent applications.

Color Availability

| Product Code | Color |
|--------------|--------|
| 0188-00 | White |
| 0188-01 | Yellow |
| 0188-02 | Red |
| 0188-05 | Blue |
| 0188-07 | Green |

Retroreflection

Typical Coefficient of Retroreflection when measured per ASTM E-810. Average of 0° and 90° Rotations. (cd/lx/m²)

| Color | Observation | Entrance Angle | | |
|--------|-------------|----------------|-----|--|
| Coloi | Angle | -4° | 30° | |
| White | 0.2° | 825 | 450 | |
| | 0.5° | 220 | 120 | |
| Yellow | 0.2° | 550 | 300 | |
| | 0.5° | 145 | 80 | |
| Red | 0.2° | 160 | 85 | |
| | 0.5° | 40 | 22 | |
| Blue | 0.2° | 65 | 35 | |
| | 0.5° | 17 | 9 | |
| Green | 0.2° | 160 | 85 | |
| | 0.5° | 40 | 22 | |



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Typical Daytime Color

The daytime color of AURA[®] 188 is listed below as defined by the chromaticity coordinates and daytime luminance factor (CIE 1931 Standard Colorimetric System) as measured with Standard Illuminant D65 using a 0/45 (45/0) geometry instrument (2 degree observer).

| Color | Typical chromaticity coordinates | | Typical Daytime Luminance Factor | |
|--------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------|--|
| Color | X | у | Υ% | |
| White | 0.290 | 0.305 | 9.0 | |
| Yellow | 0.480 | 0.490 | 16.0 | |
| Red | 0.620 | 0.350 | 3.5 | |
| Blue | 0.150 | 0.130 | 2.0 | |
| Green | 0.140 | 0.365 | 2.2 | |

These color values are representative of typical product colors. Actual color may vary slightly on a lot-to-lot basis.

Application Guidelines

AURA® 188 should be conditioned above 15°C (60°F) for at least 24-hours prior to application. Application should occur using a squeeze roll applicator or by hand using a firm rubber roller or plastic squeegee. Substrates should be cleaned prior to application. Wipe surfaces with rubbing alcohol (or similar solvent cleaner) and allow the surface to completely dry prior to application. Wet application method is NOT recommended.

For application to painted surfaces, the paint must be fully cured and dried prior to application. For application to plastic substrates, especially low surface energy plastics, it is important to flame treat (or otherwise surface treat) the plastic substrate prior to application. Although AURA® 188 is supplied with an aggressive high-tack adhesive suitable for many plastics, it should be noted that all plastics are different. Many plastics, including fiberglass laminates, may contain ingredients or components that may migrate to the surface and adversely affect the adhesion or performance of the reflective sheeting. Similarly, the adhesive of AURA® 188 contains components that could potentially migrate into the plastic substrate. The user should always test the performance of AURA® 188 on their specific substrate.

Storage

Store in a cool, dry area. Use within 1-year of receipt of the product.

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