

**Discontinuation Timing Update**  
**3M™ PTFE Film Tapes 5480, 5481, 5490, 5491, 5498**  
**3M™ PTFE Glass Cloth Tapes 5151, 5151PL, 5153, 5153L, 5451, 5453**



May 1, 2025

Dear Valued Customer:

To help facilitate an orderly transition for customers, select 3M™ PTFE Film Tapes and 3M™ PTFE Glass Cloth Tapes will continue to be available into 2026. This provides more time for customers to evaluate alternatives as these products are phased out.

**Products subject to this Notice**

- 3M™ PTFE Film Tapes 5480, 5481, 5490, 5491, 5498
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Final orders for these products, including any future dated orders, must be placed into the 3M systems by April 1, 2026. We plan to continue shipping product to fulfill accepted orders into the fourth quarter of 2026 or until inventory is depleted, whichever comes first. Please be aware that the availability of these products may be limited. Orders receiving a 3M order confirmation ("Order Confirmation") with an estimated delivery date will be considered as accepted by 3M. Delivery dates are estimated only and may be subject to change. Other communications, such as an order acknowledgement or an Order Confirmation with an "In Review" statement, do not constitute acceptance of an order by 3M. Unless otherwise stated in writing by 3M, an order may only be canceled or modified with 3M's written consent. No returns will be accepted for discontinued products unless the return is based on a valid warranty claim or due to a 3M error.

To assist you with this transition, and to help answer additional questions you may have, please refer to the attached FAQ Document, reach out to your 3M sales representative or 3M Industrial Adhesives & Tapes Product Application Specialist at 1-800-362-3550, option 2, option 2 or [3mproducts.adhesives.us@mmm.com](mailto:3mproducts.adhesives.us@mmm.com).

We appreciate your continued partnership throughout this process.



## **Discontinuation Frequently Asked Questions (last updated May 1, 2025)**

As part of 3M's ongoing effort to focus on our go-to portfolio, we will be discontinuing 3M™ PTFE Film Tapes and 3M™ PTFE Glass Cloth Tapes.

### ***What 3M Products are impacted by this extension?***

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### ***What is the revised timing for phase out of PTFE Tapes?***

Currently, we estimate the following phase-out timeline for 3M™ PTFE Film Tapes and 3M™ PTFE Glass Cloth Tapes:

- Final orders, including any future dated orders, must be placed into 3M systems by April 1, 2026.
- No changes or cancellations of orders after April 1, 2026.
- 3M plans to fulfill all accepted orders, including future dated orders, into the fourth quarter of 2026 or until inventory is depleted, whichever comes first.

### ***Will I be able to stock up on specific products or SKUs?***

No, as previously communicated, 3M intends to obtain enough supply to meet historical demand while supplies last, therefore monthly customer shipments should not exceed historical usage.

### ***If the shelf life of 3M's product extends beyond the product discontinuation timing, will 3M stand behind the quality of the product?***

3M will continue to honor its product warranties for products. However, if a product has been discontinued, the remedy for valid warranty claims will be limited to refunding the purchase price, as replacement of the product may no longer be available as an option.

***What alternatives are available to me? How are they different from existing options?***

- If your application requires a low coefficient of friction, with a temperature use range of -30° to 225° F (-34° to 107° C), please consider evaluating 3M™ UHMW Film Tape 5421 or 3M™ UHMW Film Tape 5423 for your application. These products offer similar non-stick properties to 3M™ PTFE Film Tapes albeit with less high-temperature performance.
- If your application requires a temperature use range above 350°F and is being used for edge protection or wire bundling & protection, please consider evaluating 3M™ Glass Cloth Tape 361, or 3M™ High Temperature Aluminum Foil/Glass Cloth Tape 363.
- For applications such as Composite & Metal Bonding Mold Release, Liquid Shimming, Non-Stick Roller Wrapping, or Heat Bar protection applications, please reach out to 3M to discuss your specific application requirements and learn about potential new solutions that may be available for your evaluation.

***Will any new options (for applications above 225° F/107° C) be available in the future to replace 3M™ PTFE Film and PTFE Glass Cloth Tapes?***

3M is actively investigating possible alternatives for existing 3M™ PTFE Film and PTFE Glass Cloth Tape applications. We will share additional information as we make progress.

***When will samples of new options be available for testing?***

At this time, it is hard to estimate when samples may be available for testing. Stay in touch with your local 3M sales team for periodic updates as they become available.