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Duct Tape

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Current Standards

- "Joints and Seams of duct systems and their components shall not be sealed with cloth back rubber adhesive duct tapes unless such tape is used in combination with mastic and drawbands."
- Condition for compliance credit for duct sealing since 1998; Mandatory requirement since 2001
- 2002 Rulemaking requested by manufacturers decided not to change requirement





Duct Tape Durability Testing PIER Report Recommendations

- Change Standards to allow tapes that pass ASTM E2342-03 for a test period of at least 60 days
- ASTM E2342 was based on the original duct testing protocol that the Commission relied upon in establishing the current duct tape requirements
- Straps should be rated for continuous use at a temperature of at least 200 F.

