

FORMAKOTE™ SPECTRA NATURAL

SPECIFICATION SHEET MAY 2026

UNCOATED FOLDING BOXBOARD

High in strength, Formakote™ Spectra Natural is made using 100 % virgin fibre with high bulk properties, making the grade suitable for a number of different folding carton applications. Formakote™ Spectra Natural is the ideal solution for those looking for a carton board that possesses a natural finish and appearance.

Application Ideas:

- FMCG - SRS (shelf ready shippers), multipacks, freezer and chiller sleeves and cartons
- Food Service - takeaway clamshells, trays, pizza cartons
- Industrial - tools, parts, stationery
- Fresh Produce - fruit punnets, cartons and clamshells

Our products are tested for food safety against conditions of use that should not be assumed to include the above-listed applications. To ensure we are providing the correct product with the correct product safety, we must know the intended final use. Please contact us with this information before using our product for any application.



Structure:

- 3-ply board structure for yield and stiffness
- Uncoated top side
- Uncoated reverse side

Ordering:

- Minimum order size may apply
- Deckle surcharge may apply
- Call your customer service representative for assistance

Product Safety:

- GMP as per EC 2023/2006
- Uses only virgin pulp fibres
- Free of optical brightening agents
- Materials used are approved for food contact according to:
 - EC 1935/2004
 - US FDA CFR Title Part 176.170 and 176.180
 - German BfR Recommendation XXXVI
 - China GB 4806.1 and 4806.8

Specific compliance details are available in our product safety statements and must be carefully read.



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THICKNESS		GRAMMAGE	BENDING RESISTANCE L & W (15°)		BENDING MOMENT TABER (15°)		MOISTURE
METRIC							
µm	g/m ²	MD mN	CD mN	MD mNm	CD mNm	%	
350	226	236	118	11.4	5.7	6.5-10.5	
400	247	324	162	15.6	7.8	6.5-10.5	
450	267	409	205	19.8	9.9	6.5-10.5	
500	293	552	276	26.7	13.3	6.5-10.5	
550	317	678	339	32.8	16.4	6.5-10.5	
600	347	850	420	41.1	20.3	6.5-10.5	
630	364	973	470	47.0	22.7	6.5-10.5	
660	374	994	497	48.0	24.0	6.5-10.6	
700	394	1104	544	53.3	26.3	6.5-10.6	
IMPERIAL							
PT	lbs/MSF	MD gf	CD gf	MD gf-cm	CD gf-cm	%	
13.8	46	24	12	116	58	6.5-10.5	
15.7	51	33	17	159	80	6.5-10.5	
17.7	55	42	21	202	101	6.5-10.5	
19.7	60	57	28	272	136	6.5-10.5	
21.7	65	70	35	334	167	6.5-10.5	
23.6	71	87	43	419	207	6.5-10.5	
24.8	75	100	48	479	231	6.5-10.5	
26.0	77	102	51	489	245	6.5-10.6	
27.6	81	113	55	544	268	6.5-10.6	

PRINTING SURFACE PROPERTIES	
ISO Brightness (typical value)	28 %
Bendtsen Roughness	550 ml/min

OTHER PROPERTIES	
Scott Plybond	175 g/m ² 83.3 ft.lb/1000 in ²
Cobb (60 s) - Back Liner	35 g/m ²
Cobb (60 s) - Top Liner	35 g/m ²

TOLERANCES	
Thickness	±25 µm ±0.001 inch
Grammage	±5 %
Bending Resistance	-20 %
Bending Moment	Typical conditioned values
Bendsten Roughness	+250 ml/min
Scott Plybond	-20 %
Cobb (60 s)	+40 g/m ²

Whakatane Mill Ltd certified systems:

- Food Safety System Certification (FSSC) 22000
- ISO 9001 Quality Management System
- ISO 14001 Environmental Management System
- FSC Chain-of-Custody;
FSC Licence Code FSC® C010438

Notes:

These property typical values and limits are the manufacturing standards applied by Whakatane Mill and relate to machine roll tests carried out according to Appita (NZS/AS 1301).

All paperboard exhibits loss in stiffness and plybond caused by routine physical actions in converting (i.e. decurling, wrapping cylinders or passing through nips during printing etc.).



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