

## 3M DC 2000 Tape Cartridge: Estimated Shelf Life

DISCUSSION -----

According to 3M Data Storage Products Division, the expected shelf life of a DC 2000 mini-data cartridge is 2 to 5 years. This shelf life is based on the active life of the lubricants used in the cartridge. The shelf life is affected by environmental conditions (temperature, humidity, and so on). The magnetic tape itself is rated for use, not shelf life, normally at 5000 passes.

For more information, search on "3M" in the Tech Info libray and contact their Data Storage Products Division.

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