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Vikuiti™ Dual Brightness Enhancement Film—Diffuse (DBEF-D400)



For
Energy Efficient
Displays



Vikuiti™ Dual Brightness Enhancement Film—Diffuse 400 (DBEF-D400) is a thin, multi-layer reflective polarizer with two diffuse surfaces that provides brightness enhancement for wide viewing angle applications. Vikuiti DBEF-D400 delivers display uniformity, masks minor cosmetic imperfections in the panel, and eliminates wet-out thereby reducing the need for a cover sheet. Vikuiti DBEF-D400 also reduces reflective moiré, is supplied with a premask, and provides improved workability for assembly.

Vikuiti DBEF-D400 is ideal for use with LCD panels in applications where thermal reliability is required.

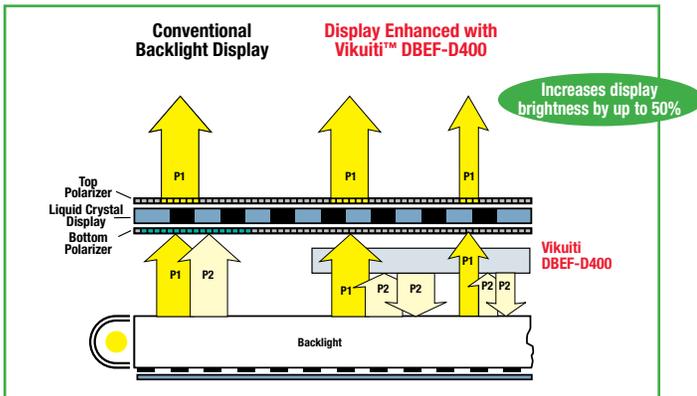




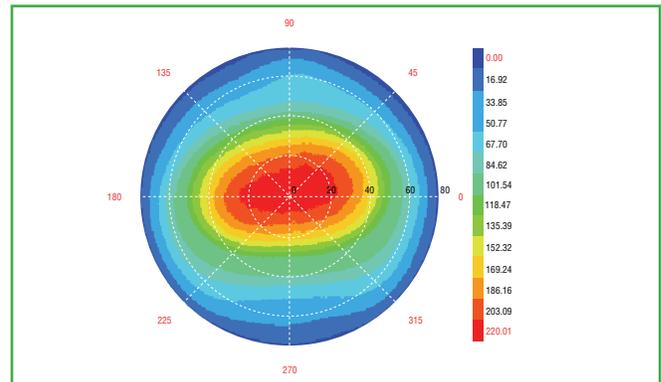
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How it works

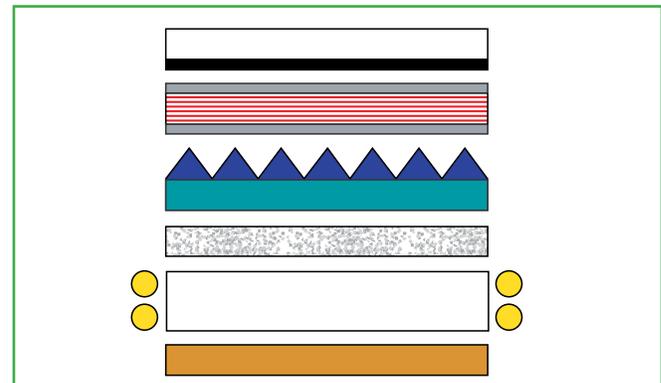
Vikuiti DBEF-D400 works through polarization recycling. The diagram shows a conventional backlight system emitting P1 and P2 light. A typical polarizer absorbs P2, but Vikuiti DBEF-D400 reflects P2 into the backlight, where it is recycled into P1 and P2 light. With Vikuiti DBEF-D400, more P1 light is available to be transmitted through the LCD, increasing on-axis luminance up to 50% for a slab backlight. Vikuiti DBEF-D400 achieves additional on-axis illumination performance in a wedge backlight display by redirecting available light to the viewer.



Vikuiti™ DBEF-D400 for High Environmental Durability Applications



TN type LCD-15" slab type backlight



Nominal film properties

Film properties	Vikuiti™ DBEF II
Axial Luminance (cd/m ²)	231
Integrated Intensity (lum/m ²)	350
Number of Films	3
Haze	80%±4%
DBEF-D400 Thickness (μm)	400

Brighter
brighter

Warp Performance

Vikuiti™ DBEF-D400 has added protective layers which increase stiffness to help resist warp and improve ease of assembly.

Testing

The polar plot measurement values indicated on the previous page were obtained through testing Vikuiti DBEF-D400 with Vikuiti™ Brightness Enhancement Film III (BEF III) and a bottom diffuser with a TN type LCD. We performed the test using our laboratory standard backlight and production films.

We measured the power to backlight and measured the axial luminance and expressed the result as Axial Luminance candelas/m². Similarly, we measured the integrated intensity and expressed the result as Integrated Intensity (Lumens/m²).

We believe these measurements and reporting techniques clearly and concisely represent the benefits of Vikuiti DBEF-D400 while providing results that are readily comparable to other film stack combinations.

Performance of Vikuiti™ DBEF-D400

Film properties	Monitor Applications	Notebook Applications
Axial Gain		
+ Vikuiti DBEF-D400	1.58	1.58
+ Vikuiti BEF II 90/50	2.0	–
+ Vikuiti xBEF II 90/50	–	2.21
Color	x=0.286 y=0.288	x=0.291 y=0.298
Axial Contrast Ratio	284	327
Haze	80%±4%	80%±4%
Environmental Performance:		
Cold (-40°C)	Stable	Stable
Dry Heat (85°C)		
Heat & Humidity (65°C/95% RH)		
Thermal Shock (-35°C/85°C)		

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