

# Removal of SNAD® Fasteners attached with 3M™ VHB™ Tape

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### Equipment Required:

1-1/2" or larger Plastic Putty Knife or a similar non-marring thin edge tool

### Optional:

Gum Eraser  
Commercial adhesive remover/cleaner

### Step 1 - How to disengage the SNAD Fastener Body from the VHB Tape:

- Insert a putty knife or non-marring tool between the SNAD Fastener Body and the VHB Tape,

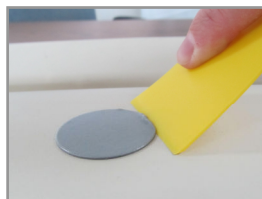


If the SNAD Fastener Body separated from the VHB Tape proceed to Step 2

If the SNAD Fastener Body and the VHB Tape separated from the substrate proceed to Step 3

### Step 2 - How to disengage the VHB Tape from the Substrate:

- Insert a putty knife or tool to pry between the VHB Tape and the Substrate Surface to loosen the adhesive
- Pull back slowly at less than a 90° angle, continue pressure until VHB Tape has dislodged from Substrate



### Step 3 - Removal of the VHB Tape adhesive and/or residue:

- Using the putty knife, non-marring tool edge to scrape or Gum Eraser to rub off the remaining adhesive from the surface.
- Use 3M™ Citrus Based cleaner or other commercial adhesive removers can be utilized to remove any remaining residue.

**Note:** Follow solvent manufacturer's precautions and directions for using any cleaners.



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### Technical Information

To request additional YSU SNAD Fastener information or sales assistance, call toll free 800-786-2561. Address correspondence to YSU SNAD Fastener Division YKK Snap Fasteners Inc. 1090 Industry Road Lawrenceburg, Ky. 40342. Information can also be located on the 3M adhesive website at [www.3M.com/adhesives](http://www.3M.com/adhesives)

### Important Notice

All applications, surface treatments, solvents, paints, sealers, etc. should be thoroughly evaluated by the user under anticipated use conditions in conjunction with the specific adhesive backed snap component to be used in the application.

If a bond is too strong or too weak for the application, please contact your YKK Snap Fastener representative or authorized distributor for information regarding available alternative adhesive component options.

### Limited Warranty

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The user is responsible for determining whether the YSU SNAD Fastener is fit for a particular purpose and suitable for the user's method of application. Please remember that many factors can affect the use and performance of a YSU product in a particular application. The materials to be bonded with the product, the surface preparation of these materials, the product selected for use, the conditions in which the product is used, and the time and environmental conditions in which the product is expected to perform are among the many factors that can affect the use and performance of a YSU product. Given the variety of factors that can affect the use and the performance of the YSU product, some of which are uniquely within the user's knowledge and control, it is essential that the user evaluate a YSU product to determine whether it is fit for a particular purpose and suitable for the user's method of application.

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