SERIGRAFIA
SCREEN
PRINTING

Type: solvent

Printing process: screen printing

Ink type: two-component

Finish: glossy

Materials: ABS, Lacquered surfaces, Metal (in general), Natural fabrics, plasticized PVC, Polyamide, Polycarbonate, Polymethacrylate (PMMA), Polystyrene, Polyurethane, rigid PVC, SAN, treated PETG, treated Polyacetal (POM) (hard-plast), treated Polyester, treated Polyethylene (HD-PE, LD-PE), treated Polypropylene, Wood

XFP series is also used for printing on containers like beer or water crates.

## Main features:

To be used only by adding the relative hardener at a specified ratio prior to processing.
Thinner is added after addition of hardener
The mixed ink should be allowed to pre-react for approx. 15 minutes prior to print.
The pot life of the ink is valid for a specified period of time, up to $8 \mathrm{~h} / 20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Higher temperatures and humidity will reduce pot life (suggested temperature at $20-25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and low moisture content in the workplace).

Glossy appearance
. Excellent printability and solvability
. Excellent abrasion strength and surface hardness
. Excellent solidity to chemical agents, especially to detergents, oils, greases.
. Suitable for applications that need to be exposed to the outside

Because of the versatility of use of this ink, and the possible differences in the quality of the supports used, pre-tests are suggested

We recommend to use the hardener XFH-N Green in the percentage of 16\% (6:1) up to 20\% (5:1)
Higher percentage of hardener improves the chemical solidity but decreases the pot-life of the ink. A smaller percentage of hardener guarantees better pot-life, better elasticity, but less chemical solidity.

Series XFP does not contain CYCLOHEXANONE, BISPHENOL A, NAPHTHA, IPA-PHA, G-B ESTERE.
Metallic shades may contain polycyclic aliphatic hydrocarbons (Nafte9) or the presence of IPA-PHA.
Certifications: CLP/GHS (EC 1272/2008), Conflict minerals free, EN 71-3, Medical (uni en iso 10993-5:2009) (for colors: 60 BN 65 NR, 10 GL, 22 RC e 32 BL), Reach (EC 1907/2006), RLS-EuPIA ( formulated with substances accepted by RSL), RoHS

The EN 71:3 Directive is valid for standard shades of one component inks, two component inks, Ink system and Process colors, HD shades and for all not standard shades which do not contain metallic shades, metallic pastes or fluorescent pigments or inks.
In order to clarify any doubt on not standard shades, it is always recommended to provide us a specific request

Eco-sustainability (free of): Alogens, Animal origin ingredients, Aromatic Hydrocarbons, Azo dyes, Bisphenol A (BPA), Cyclohexanone, Formaldehyde, G-B Ester, Latex, Melamine, PAH, Persistent organic pollutants, Phthalates (listed in RoHS directive)

Note: shades in the fluorescent color chart contain formaldehyde.
Note: inks are formulated without aromatics naphthas, potential IPA contaminations are minimal.

Outdoor resistance (years): 6

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Suitable for outdoor application.
The used pigments have a solidity from 7 to 8 DIN.
In case of mixing with the transparent bases 70 TR or TP, or with white 160 or 60 BN , the light fastness and atmospheric agents decrease

If you want to increase the outdoor solidity, it's recommended to add $5-7 \%$ of $U V$ adsorber to the ink.
Drying process: 15 minutes at room temperature
XFP series dries physically by evaporation of solvents or through chemical reaction.
Drying times depend on various factors:
. Thickness of printed ink layer (single print, multi-layer print).
. Type and amount of thinners/retarders used.
. Type of oven
. Drying temperature
. Type of substrate on which the ink is deposited.
Ink dries physically by evaporation of solvents:
10-15 minutes at room temperature (depending on local conditions)
. 20-30 sec at $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in an air circulation oven.
(The test performed in our laboratory was carried out under the following conditions: $8 \mathrm{mt} / \mathrm{min}, 120.34$ screen printing mesh, medium thinner XF-DM at 15\%, air circulation oven).

Two-component drying by polymerization:
When the Series XFP is added with the relative hardener, at the beginning the ink dries physically, followed by the polymerization reaction which takes place at room temperature ( $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) in at least 5-7 days.
If the printed film is heated in an oven at $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for about 10 minutes, the polymerization is completed within 24 hours. At a temperature of $140^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (film obtained with 120.34 screen printing mesh, a dilution with a medium thinner of XF-DM at $15 \%$, 30 minutes inside oven) we obtain a film with a high degree of polymerization and with a maximum of solidity.

Mechanical and chemical solidity:

| Acids | excellent |
| :--- | :--- |
| Alcohol | excellent |
| Aliphatic organic solvents | excellent |
| Aromatic organic solvents | excellent |
| Bases | excellent |
| Detergents | excellent |
| Diesel | excellent |
| Gasoline | excellent |
| Greases | excellent |
| Mechanical stress (Impacts) | good |
| Oils | excellent |
| Surface hardness (Abrasion) | good |

The laboratory tests were carried out with a completely polymerised film ( 48 hours in a muffle at $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ), using a pad printing cliche at 36 microns, medium thinner XF-DM at $15 \%$. Or at room temperature ( $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) after $6-7$ working days.

Colours range: EXTRA - M, HD, INK SYSTEM, QUADRICROMIA

| 110 | 111 | 112 | 115 | 117 | 120 | 121 | 122 | 124 | 130 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 140 | 141 | 142 | 150 |
| 131 | 132 | 133 | 134 | 136 | 140 | 151 |  |  |  |
| 160 | 165 | 165 HD | 10 GL | 11 GS | 12 AR | 21 RS | 22 RC | 25 MG | 27 VT |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 32 BL | 40 VR | 60 BN | 65 NR | 70 TR | 1080 | 1081 | 1082 | 1083 | TP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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Please refer to the Glossy, Metallic, Fluorescent and Ink System ink color charts.
The Ink System are 12 colour shades for mixing of RAL, PMS and HKS colours
The metallic shades are available only by mixing the relative pastes with the Transparent Base XFP 70 TR.

| Gold paste | 75 | $10-20 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Gold paste | 76 | $10-20 \%$ |
| Gold paste | 77 | $10-20 \%$ |
| Bronze paste | 78 | $10-20 \%$ |
| Silver paste | $79-050$ | $10-15 \%$ |

The metallic pastes composed with the relative transparent base XFP 70 TR, due to their particular composition, can oxidize.
The pot-life of the compounded METALLIC PASTES is about 8 working hours.
In the Ink System color chart are present the shades:
1080 yellow, 1081 magenta, 1082 blue, 1083 black, TP paste (CMYK), necessary for making four-color prints.
In the range are also included the following shades :
160 HD Opaque white
165 HD Opaque black
Auxiliaries and additives:

| XF-DM medium thinner | $15 \%$ | doesn't contain cyclohexanone and <br> naphtha |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| XF-DL slow thinner | $15 \%$ | doesn't contain cyclohexanone and <br> naphtha |
| VS fast thinner | $15 \%$ | doesn't contain cyclohexanone and <br> naphtha |
| XFH-N Green hardener | $13 \%$ | for outdoor applications. diisocyanate <br> content < 0,1\% |
| M 160 conc. levelling agent | $0,5 \%$ |  |
| Universal antifoam agent | $0,5 \%$ |  |
| Antisilicone/s | $1,5 \%$ |  |
| UV Adsorber | $8 \%$ |  |
| Antistatic/s | $1,5 \%$ |  |
| PP 1 adhesion promoter | $5 \%$ | $6 \%$ max |
| PP 2 adhesion promoter | $5 \%$ |  |
| NPT matting powder | $2 \%$ |  |

## Ink removal:

DACS solvent
Lavaggio telai solvent
Aprimaglia Spray

## STORAGE:

Please keep the cans in a dark place, at temperature of $15-25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
If the recommended temperature is higher than the suggested one or the cans are not completely closed, the shelf life and the qualities are drastically reduced.

## Series <br> 

## CLASSIFICATION:

Before using this ink, consult the relevant safety data sheets available.
The safety data sheets provided comply with the REACH regulation (EC 1907/2006).
The hazard classification and related labelling are compliant with the CLP / GHS regulation (EC 1272/2008).

## OTHER INFORMATION:

For more information on SERICOM ITALIA srl products, refer to the website www.sericom.it
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