

2-component screen printing ink

Series 640

High opaque, glossy screen printing ink with fast curing properties for industrial applications on different plastics, metals and coated surfaces.

Based on high chemical resistant resins, this ink is for industrial in- and outdoor applications.

Wet screen printing ink or not completly cured inks can be removed with all commercial solvent based cleaning agents of little polarity. Screen printing-specific universal cleaning agents like Series 600-URS and Series 600-BRS are the most suitable. Removal of completely cured 2-component screen printing ink Series 640 is time consuming and only possible using very aggressive media (decoaters).

Under normal conditions (limited change of temperature, medium temperature 20-35°, humidity 20-70%) we guarantee a shelf life of 24 month. For metallic be valid a storage time of 6 month.

The created properties of this ink line are without problems on a wide range of different substrates such as rigid PVC (no self adhesive materials), acrylics like PMMA (take care: Risk of brittleness on injection moulded materials), polycarbonate, pre-treated polyole-fines (PE/PP), many lacquered and coated surfaces, also polyamide (Nylon) and different elastomers. Special on polystyrene and its modifications (ABS, SAN; etc.) the use of special thinner Series 10-0330 is recommended. In addition to this plastics it's possible to print on metals, aluminum (raw, anodized, brushed) compound materials such as Alucobond, Dibond and Vekaplan AL, wood and other natural substrates.

Cross hatch tests plus tape tests (DIN 53151) including fingernail test processed at 2-component (4:1 with hardener Series 600-HDA) were made upon 100 h rest phase under normal conditions.

This wide variety of printable materials and also the multifarious surface properties makes it absolutely necessary for own printing tests under local conditions with regard to the intended purpose prior to starting the production.

Due to the constant further development and optimizing of Series 640 the number of practical substrates may still increase

Applications

Operational areas are the most of decorative and functional applications on the common substrates for advertisement articles (hand out market), industrial applications like automotive industry, electronic and pharmaceutical market, packaging's like beer crates, etc. The high quality raw materials used make Series 640 suitable where extremely mechanical and chemical resistance is needed and also a good weatherability is required. The recommended hardener system is Series 600-HDA, mixture 5:1 for all plastics and metals. Series 640 is based on different polyacrylic-resins, so obliga

tory in case of outdoor use is the absolute gloss stability. It's also possible to work with the other offered hardener systems Series 600-HDI and Series 600-HDR (special for backing processes).

Characteristics

This modern screen printing ink is suitable for flatbed equipment and also for the use in hand printing process.

The fast drying characteristic allow also a use in cylinder press process. The ink line is developed to combine rheologic properties for the full area print with very smooth surface and for the fine detail print with exact definition. The offered solvents (Series 600-017 and Series 10-0330, thinners; Series 600-018 and Series 10-02637, retarders; Series 600-019, accelerator) guarantee a optimized use in the recommended printing processes. Chemical resistances are developed in a range of 48 to 72 hours in relation to the regional conditions (humidity, temperature, etc.). A forced curing with 140-160 °C for a period of 20-30 minutes is always helpful.

Auxiliary agents

The screen printing inks Series 640 are developed for user-friendly handling. This means, that a normal reduction of viscosity with the offered thinner Series 600-017, addition amounts app. 15% by weight results a constant long-term consistency for hand print and automatically printing equipment's. The cylinder press technology requires a higher dilution with thinner; we recommend accelerator Series 600-019, addition around 20 weight-% and also special dryer conceptions.

The optimized mixing rate with hardeners is normally 5 parts to 1 part. In relation to chemical and mechanical resistances but also flexibility a reduction of hardener quantities can bring advantages. We recommend the systems Series 600-HDA and Series 600-HDR (for backing process) for all metals and plastic materials. For indoor applications a use of hardener Series 600-HDI is sometimes senseful. The pot life is in relation to the regional conditions always > 8 hours. The experience shows that the 2-component metallics has a restriction in pot life; it's possible that the practical rheologic properties are reduced to 4 hours.

Other additives offering useful possibilities of modification are specified in the Technical leaflet Series 600: Auxiliary agents for 2-component screen printing inks. The addition of additives changes the actual product properties so that the spectrum of printing stock as well as the resistances may be modified, in some cases to a negative result.

Pigments and Light Fastness

Points to the future, the high opaque ink line Series 640 is heavy metal free and mono-pigmented. So in the most cases a pre-print with white to achieve the color shade is not necessary or superfluous. A useful choice of high density color shades is at the disposal of the user to cover practically the whole color chromatic spectrum:

 Śeries 640–1000
 MS-Lemon yellow

 Series 640–1200
 MS-Corn yellow

 Series 640–2000
 MS-Orange

 Series 640–3000
 MS-Carnation red

 Series 640–4000
 MS-Violet

 Series 640–8000
 MS-Black

 Series 640–9000
 MS-White

Series 640–0900 MS-Ultramarine (no lightfastness)

In addition to these opaque base colors the customer find five transparent, high pigmented color shades for special mixtures and to increase sometimes the brilliance. In combination with metal particles results attractive effects:

Series 640-1100 MS-Transparent yellow Series 640-3100 MS-Transparent red Series 640-3200 MS-Transparent dark red Series 640-3300 MS-Transparent magenta Series 640-5000 MS-Transparent blue Series 640-6000 MS-Transparent green

All color shades, the opaque base colors and also the transparent basic colors are high pigmented and documents in the moment the maximal optical properties and possibilities on the market.

As standard inks we offer also the high opaque versions

Series 640-33 Black, opaque Series 640-00 White, opaque

As special adjustment the user can get all base colors and individual color shades in semi-mat or mat.

The process colors for 4-color halftone prints are ready to print and follows the Europe scale:

Series 640-0950 Cyan
Series 640-0960 Yellow
Series 640-0970 Magenta
Series 640-0980 Black
and in addition the transparent bases

Series 640-04 Transparent paste
Series 640-06 Thixotropic paste

As standard varnishes are the systems

Series 640-05 Varnish, glossy
Series 640-05-MT Varnish, mat
Series 640-07 Varnish, textured
available and this in complement with nearly all individual specialties.

As metallic effect colors we have the standard range Series 640-100 Silver, resistant Series 640-101 Silver, brilliant Series 640-102 Gold, light Series 640-103 Gold, standard Series 640-100 Gold, ducat Series 640-106 Copper

All inks of this series are non toxic and follow the europe regulation EN 71, part 3 (Safety of toys, migra-

tion of certain elements). With the exception of MS-0900 (Ultramarine) and the fluorescent ins (Series 640-40 to Series 640-49) all pigments used in Series 640 shows a light fastness of 6-8 according to wool scale (DIN 16525). If the color shades are reduced with high amounts of white or transparent systems, light fastness might be reduced.

Drying

The composition of the solvents ensures both longlasting stability of the viscosity in the screen and quick release of solvents in the application process. Universal thinner Series 600-017 usefully combines the above mentioned properties and mostly makes the use of special retarders unnecessary. For faster crosslinking between resins and hardener a IR- or Leister-hot air curing is helpful.

Stencils

As these inks are free of high aggressive solvents and water, the most common emulsions and films can be used. Preliminary test's are necessary by using indirect stencil materials.

Cleaning

Storage

Packing

Series 640 are available in 1 kg and 5 kg polyethylene containers.

Removed residues of ink can be supplied to the Polyolefine-recycling. Packaging containing unhardened residues of ink are subject to the special waste disposal regulations (waste disposal key (Abfallschlüssel) 55509 for Germany, waste disposal key (Sonderabfall) X(1640) for Switzerland).

Precautionary measures

Read material safety data sheet prior to processing.

The material safety data sheets according to OSHA form contain indication of hazardous ingredients, TLV-level and instructions for precautions when processing, handling and storing as well as first aid. The information given in the MSDS refers to processing as described in this technical leaflet. The statements in our leaflets have been made to the best of our knowledge and are given without any obligation. They serve to advise our business associates, but it is absolutely necessary to make your own printing tests under local conditions, with regard to the intended purpose prior to starting the printing job. In case of any doubts please contact our technical advisors. The application, use and processing of the products delivered by us are beyond our control. This is subject to your responsibility and there is no liability or guarantee on our part. In case of justified complaints the manufacturer can only be made liable for the countervalue of the used ink system.

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