

## **TECHNICAL DATA SHEET**

## SHORT DESCRIPTION:

Bravo White is a universal ink for screen printing virtually any fabric. However, preventing dye migration on tricky 100% polyester is its specialty. Bravo White does have quite a bit of puff, giving excellent coverage even when printed just once.

# **QUICK SPECIFICATIONS:**



MESH COUNT 86 to 158 This is simply a recommendation based on printing difficult fabrics such as 100% polyester. Preventing dye migration requires a generous ink deposit. However, Bravo White will print through finer mesh with ease.



FLASH CURE 4/5: Quick

The rating of **QUICK** implies a flash cure performance faster than most plastisol inks. Due to the great number of variables involved, we cannot specify a specific flash time or temperature. However, this ink should flash dry much quicker than general purpose ink.



INK CURING 320°F to 330°F

Washing and drying your prints to check durability is the ultimate test of ink curing. However, the use of Thermolabels is the most sensible method of testing for your day-to-day operations. This will help you prevent cracking, peeling, and washout.



SQUEEGEES 70 Durometer

Squeegees are one of many variables controlling your ink deposit. Softer squeegees are capable of printing thicker while hard squeegees allow for better print resolution. 60 durometer is soft. 70 durometer is medium. 80 durometer is hard.



Many cleaning products will remove plastisol ink. We <u>recommend</u> Saatichem PW-4 for cleaning on-press. The IR-26 is ideal when cleaning in a washout booth. Cleaning the ink out of the screen immediately after printing is always recommended.



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## **BRAVO WHITE BENEFITS:**

- One print coverage on many fabrics.
- Great viscosity for both manual and automatic printing presses.
- Outstanding bleed resistance for printing 100% polyester and poly/cotton blends.
- Bright white finish (no gray or yellow hue).
- Tough, durable print for use on football and other sports uniforms.

### **IDEAL CURING GUIDELINES:**

Cure Bravo White at the temperatures listed below (measure with a Thermolabel). Curing is a time and temperature process. A lower temperature with a slower belt speed is always the best method.

100% Cotton	Poly/Cotton	Polyester	Nylon/Stretch	100% Nylon	Polypropylene	Rayon
320°F	320°F	320°F	320°F*	320°F	х	Х

<sup>\*</sup>Bravo White has good flexibility. However, when printing any spandex or lycra blend, adding S-Additive is highly recommended. 10% S-Additive to 90% ink is the recommended mixing ratio. Never exceed 15% S-Additive into any ink.

#### TIPS AND TRICKS:

- Bravo White is a great ink to pair with Bravo Flex Series colors when printing 100% polyester tees and uniforms.
- If you would like to achieve one-print coverage on cotton, poly/cotton, or even polyester, be sure to print through coarse mesh. More emulsion will create a better gasket to improve ink coverage.
- On sublimated polyester such as digital camo, always print the ELT Digital Black Underbase first to prevent dye migration.

Always perform a pretest print and test cure conditions on the fabric to be printed to establish the best results. Stir inks vigorously before each use. Viscosity may need adjusting for best results. If there is ever a question about a print job, call us at 800-942-4447. We are always happy to help!

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