

1-component pad printing ink

SERIES 712

Special pad printing ink for polypropylene and its co-polymerisates

High opaque, semi-mat pad printing ink for industrial and graphic applications on treated and untreated polypropylene plastics

Based on appealing resistant synthetic resins, this ink is for in- and moderate outdoor-use.

Substrates

The created properties of this ink line are without problems on a wide range of polypropylene plastics and its modifications and co-polymerisates. Also suitable are styrofoam and a lot of paper and cardboard materials.

The wide variety of polypropylene modifications (blend with recycling PP, different polyolefines, powder of nature materials like wood, hemp, etc) 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 712 the number of practical substrates may still increase.

Applications

Operational areas are a lot of decorative and functional applications on plastics for advertisement articles (hand out market), household equipment (tooth-brushes, scales of coffee machines, etc), toys and industrial applications like tools, cases of electronic apparatus, etc. The high quality raw materials used make Series 712 suitable for daily use or where greater mechanical and chemical resistance is needed when used together with hardeners (f.e. Series 700-HDI) at app. 10% by weight.

In a lot of cases a pretreatment of material surface is not longer necessary. For higher resistances is a surface tension >38 mN/m recommended. So a pretreatment through flame, corona or primer (f.e. Series 10-PP) is senseful.

Characteristics

This modern pad printing ink is suitable for open inkwell equipment and also for the conception of closed cup (pot) systems. The Series 712 is free of iron containing materials, so the printing problems, produced through magnetizing of metal plates, filling knife, metal squeegee or metal caps are eliminated.

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 700-017, thinner; Series 700-018 and Series 10-02637, retarders; Series 700-019, accelerator) guarantee a optimized transfer of ink from plate through pad to the substrate and a fast tack-free drying on the printed material.

Auxiliary agents

The pad printing inks Series 712 are developed for user-friendly handling. This means, that a normal reduction of viscosity with the offered thinner Series 700-017, addition amounts app. 15% by weight results a constant long-term consistency for open and closed machinery equipment's.

The rotative technology requires a higher dilution with thinner; we recommend accelerator Series 700-019, addition around 20 weight-%.

Other additives offering useful possibilities of modification are specified in the Technical leaflet Series 700: Auxiliary agents for pad 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 712 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:

- Series 712-1005 MS-Lemon yellow
- Series 712-1200 MS-Corn yellow
- Series 712-2005 MS-Orange
- Series 712-3005 MS-Carnation red
- Series 712-4005 MS-Violet
- Series 712-4505 MS-Cobalt blue
- Series 712-8005 MS-Black
- Series 712-9005 MS-White

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 712-1105 MS-Transparent yellow
- Series 712-3105 MS-Transparent red
- Series 712-3305 MS-Transparent magenta
- Series 712-5005 MS-Transparent blue
- Series 712-6005 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 mat versions

- Series 712-8005/MT Black, mat
- Series 712-9005/MT White, mat

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 712-0950 Cyan
- Series 712-0960 Yellow
- Series 712-0970 Magenta
- Series 712-0980 Black

and in addition the transparent bases

Series 712-04	Transparent paste
Series 712-06	Thixotropic paste
In this line we offer a concentrate-range to get higher density values under the names	
Series 712-0955	Cyan, concentrated
Series 712-0965	Yellow, concentrated
Series 712-0975	Magenta, concentrated
Series 712-0985	Black, concentrated

As standard varnishes are the systems

Series 712-05	Varnish, glossy
Series 712-05-MT	Varnish, mat
Series 712-07	Varnish, textured

available and this in complement with nearly all individual specialties.

As metallic effect colors we have the standard range

Series 712-100	Silver, resistant
Series 712-101	Silver, brilliant
Series 712-102	Gold, light
Series 712-103	Gold, standard
Series 712-105	Gold, ducat
Series 712-106	Copper

All inks of this series are non toxic and follow the europe regulation EN 71, part 3 (Safety of toys, migration of certain elements). All pigments used in Series 712 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 long-lasting stability of the viscosity in the ink troughs and ink containers and quick release of solvents in the dabbing process. The pad printing system Series 712 doesn't show any corona formation, ensures an unproblematic transfer as well as fast drying on the printed material. There's normally no need for any special drying aggregates.

Universal thinner Series 700-017 usefully combines the above mentioned properties and mostly makes the use of special retarders unnecessary. The experience shows that the accelerator works also well in closed cup systems.

Printing blocks / Cliché

Pad printing ink Series 712 doesn't contain any ingredients which attack polymer clichés or cause oxidation's on steel printing blocks. Both printing equipment's are suitable, whereby a screening (positive contact screen) is special in case of polymer clichés advantageous for the production and printing process. Etching depths of app. 30µm for steel blocks and around 20µm for polymer clichés, depending on the motif are practicable and do not require any special preliminary test's.

Pads

The choice of the correct type of pad, shape and Shore-hardness depends on the printing article (form, structure, surface tension, etc.). It's independent of pad printing ink Series 712 which accepts all types of pads. The handling of pads is generally binding, i.e. delubrication of new printing pads, careful handling, no solvents, cleaning with adhesive tape, etc. Silicone-activation of old pads may be achieved with additive Series 10-03775.

Cleaning

Wet pad printing ink or not completely cured inks can be removed with all commercial solvent based cleaning

agents of little polarity. Pad printing-specific universal cleaning agents like Series 700-URT and Series 700-BRT are the most suitable. Removal of completely cured pad printing ink Series 712 is time consuming and only possible using very aggressive media (decoaters). If cleaning of the pads by adhesive tape doesn't work, low aggressive cleaning agent Series 10-009 may be applied by a cotton towel.

Storage

Under normal conditions (limited change of temperature, medium temperature 20-35°C, humidity 20-70%) we guarantee a shelf life of 24 month. For metallics be valid a storage time of 12 month.

Packing

Series 712 are available in 0,5kg, 1kg and 5 kg metal 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.

Addition of not mentioned products or competitors products are on your own risk and releases Printcolor Screen Ltd. of any later demands, especially in cases of damage and loss caused by alien products.

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