

# **Product Information Bulletin**

# **Recommended Parameters**



# 2200 EPIC™ Performance LC White

Wilflex™ EPIC Performance LC White combines best-in-class bleed resistance with ultra-stretch performance for a premium soft and pliable hand feel. It is designed to print onto a variety of specialty fabrics, including compression wear, stretch garments containing spandex, lycra or elastane, polyester, blends and triblends.



# Highlights

- ▶Best elasticity and recovery
- Excellent bleed resistance
- ▶ High opacity, good coverage
- Adhesion to difficult substrates
- Low cure, save energy, reduce bleed defects
- Use as a first-down, underbase flash white or an overprint stand-alone white.



# **Printing Tips**

- ▶Use a printing technique to assure a good ink deposit to maximize bleed resistance and stretch performance properties
- Suggestions for automatic printing of Performance LC White: Print Flash Print with minimal pressure on second print to optimize coverage
- ▶ EPIC Performance LC White is a low bleed ink. For challenging fabrics using sublimation dyes, a bleed blocking underbase such as EPIC Performance Underbase Gray may be required
- Adjust flash cure temperature and dwell time so ink is just dry to touch. Avoid excessive flash temperatures to protect fabric and migration of dyes. Depending on flash unit, a 2 - 3 second flash is adequate. If surface is hot and tacky, the ink film has been over flashed. Reduce temperature or time to prevent an inter-coat adhesion problem
- ▶ Curing is a time and temperature process, a lower oven temperature setting with a slower belt speed while maintaining recommended ink cure temperature is always best to protect fabric, control dye migration and reduce energy consumption
- ▶EPIC Performance LC White can be cured between 270°F 320°F (132°C 160°C). Running at the higher end of the temperature range and/or longer dwell times maybe required to achieve proper cure on jobs that contain cotton, high ink deposits or heavy weight garments.



# Compliance

- ▶Non-phthalate.
- For individual compliance certifications, please visit www.wilflex.com/compliance.



- Stir plastisols before printing.
- Do not dry clean, bleach or iron printed area.
- Perform fusion tests before production. Failure to cure ink properly can result in poor wash fastness, inferior adhesion and unacceptable durability. Gel and cure temperatures for ink should be measured using a Thermoprobe device placed directly in the wet ink film and verified on the substrate(s) and equipment to be used for production.
- It is the responsibility of the printer to determine that the correct ink has been selected for a specific substrate and the application processes meet the printer's customer standards or specifications.
- When printing on garments that contain certain dyes, you must pre-test for the potential of ghosting. Please refer to our website for more information on this issue.
- •Wilflex products have been carefully designed to perform within a given viscosity range, and any dramatic change in viscosity is probable to result in a change in printing characteristics
- NON-CONTAMINATION OF EPIC INKS: Do not mix EPIC inks with inks, additives or extenders from other companies. All buckets, palette knives, stirring apparatus, squeegees, flood bars and screens must be cleaned properly and free of phthalates and pvc containing inks. Non-phthalate emulsions and pallet adhesives must be used. Failure to follow these precautions may cause phthalate contamination in violation of consumer protection laws and regulations.
- Any application not referred in this product information bulletin should be pre-tested or consultation sought with Wilflex Technical Services Department prior to printing.
- ▶Email: techserviceswilflex@polyone.com

### **Fabric Types**

100% polyester, triblends, polyester blends, cotton/poly blends, Lycra / Spandex blends, 100% nylon Jersey/ \*Not suitable for all nylon substrates. Pretest prior to production.



#### Mesh

Counts: 86-230 t/in (34-91 t/cm) Tension: 25-35 n/cm<sup>2</sup>



#### Squeegee

Durometer: 60-70, 60/90/60 Edge: Square, Sharp

Stroke: Hard flood, Fast stroke \*Do not use excess saueeaee pressure.



#### Non-Phthalate Stencil

Direct: 2 over 2 Capillary/Thick Film: N/A Off Contact: 1/16" (.2cm)



#### Flash & Cure Temperatures

Flash: 210-230°F (99°C-110°C) Cure: 270°F (132°C) Entire ink film



### **Pigment Loading**

EQ: N/A MX: N/A PC: N/A

\*All percentages listed at % by weight.



#### **Epic Additives**

Extender: N/A

Reducer: Epic Viscosity Buster-1% max \*All percentages listed at % by weight.



## **Shipping & Storage**

65-90°F (18-32°C) Avoid direct sunlight. Use within one year of receipt.



### Clean Up

Ink degradent or press wash.



#### **Health & Safety**

SDS: www.polyone.com or Contact your local CSR.

