

OP1009 UV Flexo Varnish is a Benzophenone Free Varnish that exhibits high gloss and is specifically formulated for Tag and Label printing. The overprint clear has excellent rheology characteristics, making it ideal for most printing equipment and product applications.

### SUBSTRATES

Pressure sensitive coated papers, vinyl's, top coated and print treated polyester, BOPP films, polyethylene, polystyrene and paper & board stocks .

### Typical properties of OP1009

**Target viscosity:** 440 cps @25° C

**Rub\*:** > 500 cycles - 4lb weight, face to face

**Slide angle\* face to face:** < 12°

**MEK resistance\* :** > 50 double rubs

**60° Gloss\*:** >80

\*Cured film properties depend on the substrate, cure and coating thickness.

### ANILOX ROLLS

180-360 line (cells per inch) corresponding to a volume from 8.0 bcm to 5.0 bcm.

### DOCTOR BLADES

Reverse angle doctor blade is recommended.

### PRINTING PLATES

OP1009 is compatible with the UV Flexo plates on the market.

### PRINTING

OP Series can be printed over Nazdar® rotary screen, UV and waterbase flexo, and UV offset inks.

The OP Series Varnishes are formulated to be press ready. Thoroughly mix the varnish prior to printing. Maintain temperature at 65°-78° F (18° - 25° C) for optimum print and cure performance. Pretest to determine optimum printing performance for each clear, substrate, anilox, press, curing variables/conditions and any post printing processes.

OP Series coatings may contain ingredients that might 'bleed' or discolor some pigments such as alkali and rhodamines. Pretesting is recommended prior to printing. The OP Series can be affected by stray UV light in and around a printing facility. Be aware of skylights, windows and overhead lights curing the varnish. Light filters are recommended. Keep containers covered when not in use.

### CURE PARAMETERS

OP Series Varnish is formulated to cure using a medium pressure mercury vapor lamp set at 300 - 600 watts per inch. These guidelines are intended only as a starting point for determining cure parameters, which must be determined under actual production conditions.

### CLEAN UP

NWC10 EZ Cleaner is recommended.

### STORAGE

Store tightly covered at temperatures between 65°-90°F (18°-32°C). Ink taken from the press should not be returned to the original container; store separately to avoid contaminating unused ink.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### PRODUCT HANDLING

Wear gloves and barrier cream to prevent direct skin contact. Safety glasses are suggested in areas where product may be splashed. If product does come in contact with skin, wipe ink off with a clean, dry cloth (do not use solvent or reducer). Wash the affected area with soap and water. Consult the OP Series Material Safety Data Sheet for further instructions and warnings.

### ADHESION TESTING

Even when recommended UV energy output levels are achieved, it is imperative to check adhesion on a **cooled down** print:

1. Touch varnish surface – the varnish surface will be smooth and slick.
2. Thumb twist – the varnish surface will not mar or smudge.
3. Scratch surface – the varnish surface will resist finger nail scratching.

Tape test – apply 3M #610/810 clear tape, rub down, and rip off at a 180 degree angle. Varnish should not come off.

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CONTINUED****SHELF STABILITY**

OP Series inks in unopened containers will have a minimum of 6 months shelf stability.

**USER INFORMATION**

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Based on information from our raw material suppliers, these products are formulated to contain less than 0.06% lead.

If exact heavy metal content is required, independent lab analysis is recommended.

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