

## 11005PFXPSW Epic™ Performance White

Wilflex™ Epic Performance White is a non-phthalate plastisol ink designed to print onto a variety of specialty fabrics, including performance stretch polyester and polyester blended fabrics.

### Highlights

- ▶ Non-phthalate
- ▶ Compliant with CPSIA 2008 (Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act) Section 101, Lead Content in Substrates (<300 ppm lead); 16 CFR, Part 1303, Lead in Paint (<90 ppm lead); and CPSIA 2008, Section 108, Phthalates (<.1% DEHP, DBP, BBP, DINP, DIDP, DNOP)
- ▶ Eco-Passport Certified (OekoTex)
- ▶ Excellent bleed resistance for polyester fabrics
- ▶ Use as a first-down underbase flash white or an overprint highlight white
- ▶ Low cure, fast flashing
- ▶ High opacity, good coverage, good durability
- ▶ Excellent elasticity, stretch

### Printing Tips

- ▶ To optimize bleed resistance, set the dryer belt at the highest possible speed while still ensuring that the ink film reaches 290F (143C). This ensures that the ink's heat exposure is minimal.
- ▶ Suggestions for automatic printing of Performance White: First print 160 t/in (62 t/cm) mesh screen -- flash -- second print 110 t/in or 86 t/in (43 t/cm or 34 t/cm) mesh screen. Use minimal pressure on second print.
- ▶ Low quality polyester fabrics are likely to have dye migration issues. To determine a material's bleed potential, please reference the testing procedures outlined in the Wilflex User's Manual.
- ▶ Use high tension screen mesh to optimize performance properties.
- ▶ To increase production speeds, use finer mesh counts for the flash white to decrease gel time. Set flash dwell times on heated pallets to simulate production. Adjust your settings so that the ink is just dry to the touch.

### Precautions

- ▶ Perform fusion tests before production. Failure to cure ink properly may result in poor wash fastness, inferior adhesion and unacceptable durability. Ink gel and cure temperatures should be measured using a Thermoprobe placed directly in the wet ink film and verified on the production run substrate(s) and production equipment. 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 your customer's standards or specifications.
- ▶ Pre-test Epic Performance White on light colored or stone washed garments. Avoid stacking printed garments hot because such colors are more prone to color distortion. Fabric and dye characteristics can vary between manufacturers and from dye lot to dye lot.
- ▶ Avoid overflashing, as it can result in poor inter-coat adhesion of overprint colors.
- ▶ Stir ink before printing.
- ▶ Do not dry clean, bleach or iron printed area.
- ▶ NON-CONTAMINATION OF EPIC INKS
  - ▶ Do not add or mix non-Epic inks, additives or extenders with the Epic ink products.
  - ▶ All buckets, palette knives, stirring apparatus, squeegees, flood bars and screens must be cleaned properly and free of phthalate containing inks.
  - ▶ Non-phthalate emulsions and pallet adhesives must be used.
- ▶ Any application not referred to in this product bulletin should be pre-tested or consultation sought with Technical Services Department prior to printing.
- ▶ Email: [techserviceswilflex@polyone.com](mailto:techserviceswilflex@polyone.com)

## Printing Parameters

Opacity	9	
Bleed Resistance	9	
Smooth Surface	9	
Flash	7	
Gloss	5	
Printability	8	



#### Fabric Types

100% polyester, polyester blends, performance fabric, 100% nylon, 100% cotton, cotton/poly blends, cotton/lycra blends, spandex



#### Mesh

Counts: 86-230 t/in (34-90 t/cm) recommended

Tension: 25-35 n/cm<sup>2</sup> recommended



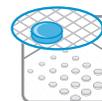
#### Squeegee

Durometer: 60-70, 60/90/60

Edge: Square, Sharp

Stroke: Hard flood, medium speed

\*Avoid excess pressure.



#### Stencil (non-phthalate)

Direct: 2 over 2

Capillary/thick film: N/A

Off contact: 1/16" (2 mm)



#### Gel/Cure Temperatures

Gel: 220 F (104 C)

Cure: 290 F (143 C) Entire film



#### Epic Pigment Loading

N/A



#### Additives

Extender: None

Reducer: 3% max - 10025VB QEC

Viscosity Buster



#### Storage

65°-90°F (18°-32°C)

Avoid direct sun.

Use within one year of receipt.



#### Clean Up

Wilflex screen wash



#### Health & Safety

MSDS: [www.polyone.com](http://www.polyone.com)