

Product Data Sheet

Screen Printing Varnish

SunChemical®
Coates Screen Inks

UV 70/LC-MT

UV-Curing Overprint Varnish, Matt, 1-Component

APPLICATION

UV-curing screen printing varnish for full or partial finishing (overprinting) of graphic prints (screen and/or offset prints). Suitable for paper, cardboard, rigid PVC and polystyrene (PS).

PROPERTIES

- Solvent-free UV-curing screen varnish UV 70/LC-MT is highly reactive.
- This varnish is delivered in a ready-to-print adjustment with low viscosity. Varnish UV 70/LC-MT results in a matt finish and shows a good transparency. It can also be used for double-sided coatings.
- On account of its formulation UV 70/LC-MT cannot be mixed with overprint varnishes UV 70/LC and UV 70/LC-HV.
- UV 70/LC-MT is formulated for indoor and possibly for short-term outdoor application.
- Note: Because of the variety of paper and cardboard materials and different offset prints, pre-tests to determine suitability of UV 70/LC-MT are essential, especially concerning further processing of prints (cutting, folding, die-cutting, grooving, slotting etc.).

PRODUCT - OVERVIEW

- Clear varnish: UV 70/LC-MT Low viscosity, matt

LIGHT FASTNESS

Suitability of UV 70/LC-MT for short-term outdoor application is limited.

ADJUSTMENT FOR SCREEN PRINTING

- Screen printing varnish UV 70/LC-MT is supplied in a ready-to-print adjustment.
- Generally, addition of auxiliary agents is not necessary. For some rare and special applications and depending on local conditions, addition of certain agents/additives is possible.
- Prior to printing, the varnish should be stirred well to obtain a homogeneous dispersion of all ingredients.

AUXILIARY AGENTS

Application	Product	Addition in % by weight	Additional Information
Thinning	Additive UV/V*	Max. 10%	Standard thinner
Viscosity increase	Thickening powder	1 - 2%	Stir with mixer
Reactivity increase	LAB-N 560700	1 - 3%	Photoinitiator
Flow agent	Additive UV/VM	1 - 2%	Do not overdose!
	Additive UV/N	1 - 2%	Wetting agent, improves flow properties

* Thinner Additive UV/V is a reactive UV monomer, not a commercial solvent!

DRYING / UV-CURING

- UV 70/LC-MT only dries/cures under UV-radiation.
- Suitable UV-driers with Hg medium-pressure lamps (250 – 400 nm) and an efficiency between 80 and 200 W/cm have to be used.
- Preferably, use reflectors with a focussed radiation.
- Ensure an even radiation (intensity/distance to the lamps) of the whole printed image.

- The UV-energy required depends on construction/performance of the UV drier, the thickness of the printed varnish layer and type of substrate. Hence, printers should determine the exact required energy with their own UV-drier.
- **UV-curing energy guide values:**
(printed with 150-31 fabric, white substrate)
UV-energy: 100-200 mJ/cm²
(measured with Kühnast UV-integrator, 250 – 410 nm, max. 365 nm)
- **Belt speed: UV-radiator: 1 x 120 W/cm: 14 - 28 m/min.**
2 x 120 W/cm: 28 - 56 m/min.
- Adhesion should only be checked several minutes after curing. Due to the post-curing process of the varnish and depending on the substrate, sufficient adhesion may sometimes only be achieved after up to 12 hours.

SCREEN FABRIC / STENCILS

UV 70/LC-MT has been formulated for printing with fabrics ranging from 150 - 165 threads/cm. Suitability for printing with coarser or finer fabrics should be determined by corresponding pre-trials.

All copy emulsions and capillary films suitable for solvent based and UV-curing screen inks can be used, such as our program of SunCoat or Murakami products.

CLEANING

Uncured UV varnishes can be removed from stencils and tools using our solvent based universal cleaning agents of the URS range.

Cleaning of cured UV varnishes is very time-consuming and hardly ever possible.

Note: As the acrylates contained in these UV varnishes may cause skin irritation, clean contaminated skin with water and soap immediately. Remove and clean contaminated clothing straightaway.

PACK SIZE

Screen printing varnish UV 70/LC-MT is delivered in 1 and 5 kilo containers. Other pack sizes are available upon request.

SHELF LIFE

In closed original containers, UV 70/LC-MT screen varnish generally has a shelf life of 1 year from date of production.

For exact date of expiry, please refer to the label.

SAFETY DATA SHEETS

Read safety data sheet prior to processing.

Safety data sheets comply with Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), Appendix II.

CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING

Hazard classification and labelling comply with Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 (CLP/GHS).

CONFORMITY

Coates Screen Inks GmbH does not use any of the substances or mixtures for the production of printing inks, which are banned according to the EUPIA (European Association of the Printing Inks Industry) exclusion policy.

Further compliance confirmations are available upon request.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PRODUCTS

Product data sheets: Auxiliary Agents for UV-Curing Screen Printing Inks
Brochures: UV-Curing Screen Printing Inks
Internet: Various technical articles are available for download on www.coates.de,
section "SN-Online"

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