



Test Product

NoriCure[®] HC-1

extremely scratch resistant, high gloss
UV Curing Screen Printing Lacquer

Area of Application

NoriCure[®] HC-1 scratch resistant is designed for printing on PC film, coated PET films (e.g. Autotype Autoflex EBG 180, Autotex V200) and diverse PVC substrates.

Characteristics

NoriCure[®] HC-1 scratch resistant shows

- excellent scratch and abrasion resistance
- excellent resistance to chemicals
- press-ready formulation
- unlimited screen open time
- high gloss

Mesh

Polyester fabrics of 140 to 180 threads/cm (355 to 460 threads/inch) are suitable.

Stencil

UV ink and solvent resistant emulsions must be used. Excellent results during long production runs are achieved by using Pröll emulsion Norikop 2 FP.

Squeegee

All commercially available squeegees with an average hardness of 75° up to 80° Shore A

UV Curing

Guideline: For curing NoriCure[®] HC-1 layers which were printed with a mesh 150-31 Y (380 threads/inch), an UV dose (Kühnast UV-Integrator, spectral range: UV 250 – 410 nm, max. 365 nm) of approx. 400 mJ/cm² is necessary.

The UV dose for sufficient curing depends on color shade, ink layer thickness (printing mesh) as well as the type and color of the substrate. Depending on such parameters the dose must be adjusted.

Post-curing

Printed NoriCure[®] HC-1 post-cure even without UV light. The optimum product characteristics are achieved not before the curing process is finished (approx. 24 – 48 hours).

Processing

Direct sun light on open ink cans or on the ink in the stencil must be avoided!

Cleaning of Screens and Utensils

UNI-REIN A III or UNI-CLEANER FP61.

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Shelf Life

The shelf life stated on the label assures the ink's quality and refers to unopened original cans stored in a dry place at temperatures between 5 °C (40 °F) and 25 °C (75 °F).

Safety Precautions

UV lacquers which have not been cured may have an irritating and sensitizing effect to the skin and may cause allergic, hypersensitive reactions. Please use an accurate and clean working method when processing UV lacquers. You should wear suitable personal protection equipment (gloves, safety goggles, working clothes)!

Uncured sheets are considered special waste and should therefore be cured under UV light before disposal. Please pay attention to the safety data sheets for the ink system NoriCure® HC-1.

Supplementary information regarding the safe use of UV inks/lacquers can be found in the brochure "UV-Trocknung" of the Berufsgenossenschaft Energie Textil Elektro Medienerzeugnisse, Gustav-Heinemann-Ufer 130, 50968 Köln, can be downloaded from, <https://medien.bgetem.de/medienportal/artikel/TUlwMzQ->

Important

Allow the ink as well as all the auxiliaries to be added to adjust to room temperature in the closed container before use.

Printing results, to a large extent, depend on the substrate as well as the printing and application conditions. We recommend checking your printing materials under your conditions of use prior to any production runs. Materials that are supposed to be identical may vary from manufacturer to manufacturer and even from batch to batch. Substrates and printing inks may have been treated with or contain sliding agents, antistatics or other additives which will impair the adhesion of the lacquer.

When using UV-curing lacquers such as NoriCure® HC-1 the compatibility between the lacquer and the ink system to be overprinted must be tested. Tests concerning adhesion and scratch resistance as well as the suitability for further processing or converting steps are necessary.

The curing of UV systems is influenced by the output and the emission spectrum of the UV bulb, thus affecting the adhesion and scratch resistance of the cured lacquer film.

This is a test product which is still in development. For this reason, no assurances are currently given as to type conformity, processability or long-term performance characteristics. Therefore, the customer uses the product entirely at their own risk with no guarantee.

Before starting a production run, it is necessary to test samples of each newly designed part systematically with regard to the specifications for the intended use (e. g. climatic chamber, resistance, etc.).

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