Commercial Certificate Evaluation Report



For HP Indigo



Supplier Contact Information					
Supplier Name	Sappi North America				
Supplier Address	89 Cumberland St., Westbrook, ME, 04098				
Supplier Country	USA				
Product Name	Flo® Dull Digital Cover				
Product Category	Paper				
Grammage (gsm)/Basis weight (#)	325 gsm/120#				
Microns/Caliper	0.0121 in				
Certification Number	RI7500-23-6912				
Certification Center	RIT				
Date of Evaluation	03/29/2023				
Evaluated on	HP 7500				
Certified for	7500, 7000, 7600, 7800, 7900, 10000 & 12000				
Evaluation Process	Full				

Certification Validity

This substrate is certified for the next two years from the date of evaluation, provided there is no change to the paper properties or production processes. At the end of two years from the original evaluation date, if there have been no changes in paper properties or production processes, the certification can be extended for another two years. After four years from the original certification date, a new certification is required.

Evaluation	Measure	Result	Grade (stars)	Comments
Runability			***	
Simplex	Number of Jams	0		
Duplex	Number of Jams	0		
Fixing			*	
Peeling	100% K in 4 color mode, % ink remaining	89%		Peeling
Photo Peeling	290 K in 4 color mode, % ink remaining	52%		Photo Peel 60 Fail
Photo Recommended		No		
White Ink Recommended		N/A		
Blanket Compatibility			***	
Evaluation Result		Pass		

Comment Detail:

Peeling - Substrate passes peeling after 60 minutes.

Photo Peel 60 Fail - Not Recommended for Photo Related Applications, did not meet minimum requirements after 60 minutes.

The substrate certification procedure incorporates several processes. This checks for:

Runability:

The ability of the substrate to run smoothly through the press in various print modes.

Fixing:

Ink-substrate interaction as determined by the degree of ink adhesion to the substrate for standard and photo-related applications as measured in a tape peel test of the image.

Blanket Compatibility:

Blanket-substrate interaction as determined by:

- 1) Ink-transferability, which is the quality of ink transfer from the blanket to the substrate as reflected in highlight dots, thin lines, heavy images and image edge integrity;
- 2) Ink-transferability after a self-cleaning procedure "cleaner pages" (intended to clean the blanket's release layer and restore transfer performance) has been performed.

Approval for Photo and White Ink Applications:

Applications that use white ink and or light cyan/light magenta inks or photo related applications are strongly recommended to use robust media products due to additional ink coverage demands of these applications. This media has been tested and approved to perform well with higher levels of ink coverage, and is therefore recommended for photo-related and/or white ink type applications. However, it is strongly recommended that user acceptance ultimately be evaluated per individual application and finishing requirements, etc. The test results are provided as a guide; assess actual performance to determine suitability for individual use.

Star Rating

- ☆☆☆ Best performing substrate: excellent runnability / High ink adhesion / Excellent blanket performance with no or very little issues, should generally work well for high coverage and photo applications.
- ☆☆ Recommended substrate: good runnability/good ink adhesion / print cleaners are generally required at a nominal frequently.

🗘 Good substrate: Acceptable runnability / acceptable ink adhesion / print cleaners are generally required more frequently

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	Measurement	Best-performing substrate	Recommended substrate	Good substrate
Transport	Runnability	No jam and minor issues	1 jam or minor issues	1 jam and minor issues
Fixing	Peeling: 100% K	>90%	>80%	>80% at one hour
	Photo peeling: 290% K, 10 or 60 minutes	>80% after 10 or 60 min		N/A
Blanket Compatibility	Performance evaluated when utilizing a mature blanket Blanket performance	No transfer defects and no Picking above the limit is allowed	Cleaner pages were able to remove all Transfer defect and reduce the picking to below the limit	After cleaning small transfer defects and picking are still visible

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