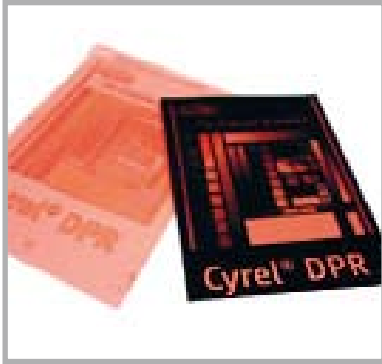




The Packaging Professor's guide to

Flexographic Printing Plates

These are Dusobox specific printing plates requirements:



66" Ward

.112 TDR Cyrel + .005 sticky + .050 Soft Touch *preferred

.125 Digital Plate + .005 sticky + .040 R Bak

.125 TDR Cyrel + .003 sticky + .030 Plastic

38" Flexo

.250 TDR Cyrel or Rubber + .003 sticky + .030 Plastic

Technical Requirements:

- CENTER MARKS are required on the lead edge strip.
- There must be a SEWN LEAD EDGE on all plates. A slotted trail edge is sufficient.
- PULL BANDS must run the entire length of the plate. They must be placed on the outside of the Structure, unless otherwise noted.
- NO HANGING DEVICES such as grommets or tabs, are to be attached to the plates and backing. NO METAL IS TO BE USED ON OUR PLATES!!!!
- PAPER PROOFS must be an imprint from the plate/s, not a digital plotter proof.
- USE OUR MYLAR for mylar proofs. If our mylar is unavailable, please obtain the structural .eps file, via e-mail (we must see the board in relation to the structure!).
- We require a DUROMETER OF and request that the plate vendor supply documentation indicating the durometer of the supplied plate/s.
- We require the CALIPER TO BE and request the plate vendor supply documentation indicating the caliper of the supplied plate/s.
- 1/16" TRAPS, unless otherwise noted.
- All vendor marks, including registration marks must be placed outside of the die lines.
- Bar Codes must be proofed and scanned by the vendor. Provide a passing ANSI score with the proof.
- We prefer a .167 undercut on the Ward, but this may vary per job. The Flexo requires a .283 undercut.
- Any cert stamp or wrapper must have Dusobox identification.
- Strip mounts need only 4" of backing above and below the graphics (not covering the entire die).

If the provided printing plates do not meet the above requirements, Dusobox reserves the right to post-pone the press date and have the plates recreated or adjusted. This cost will be charged back to the party responsible for providing the original plates.

* The preferred "Soft Touch" is a pre made material consisting of .030 rubber and .020 plastic.



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