### **PRODUCT INFORMATION BULLETIN**

**ATP INKS** 

The ATP (Athletic Team Plastisol) series athletic inks are designed for high abrasion garments.

# **Highlights**

- ATP inks are designed specifically for athletic uniforms, athletic bag printing, and difficult to print-on fabrics.
- The ATP inks have excellent adhesion and will produce a long print life on loosely woven nylon substrates.
- ATP inks were not formulated for printing on closed weave nylon jackets/shells without the use of MF-66 Nylon Bonding Additive.
- ATP has excellent, low bleed characteristics and is recommended for use on nylon, polyester, including mesh, dazzle cloth, Cardura and other difficult fabrics.
- This ink may be printed thick for athletic lettering and transfers.

#### Compliance

- Internationally compliant
- Non-phthalate
- https://www.avientspecialtyinks.com/services/compliance-support

#### Precautions

The information above is given in good faith and does not release you from testing inks and fabrics to confirm suitability of substrate and application process to meet your customer standards and specifications.

# **Recommended Parameters**



**Fabric Types** 

Nylon

Mesh Counts: 86-110 Tension: 25n/cm3



Squeegee 70 Profile: Square Stroke: x2 stroke, slower speed Angle: 10-20%



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Standard Emulsion Off Contact: 1/16" (2mm) or greater Emulsion Over Mesh: 15-20%

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# Flash & Cure

Flash: 140-150°F on pre-heated pallets Cure: 60 seconds at 300°F(148°C)

**Pigment Loading** Not recommended

See print tips above.

65 -95° F (18 -35° C) Avoid direct

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Additives

Storage

sunlight



Clean Up

Standard plastisol cleaners, press wash, or ink degradant



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## **Printing Tips**

- It is best practice to "pre-shear" ink before introduction to the screen. Do this by "Slicing and folding" the ink with an ink knife. Do not mix with power drill, friction heat from mechanical mixers other than a "Turn about" style mixer will thicken up the ink body.
- For best results use a flood/print method using a 70 to 80 durometer, squeegee. A print, flash, print is recommended for polyester. 60-110 TPI (23-43 TPcm) screens tightened to 25 newtons are recommended.
- Coarse meshes are recommended for a thicker ink deposit
- Closed or tight weave nylon shell fabrics (used in jackets) will still require MF-66 Nylon Bonding Agent.
  - For best results use a flood/print method using a 60 to 70 durometer, squeegee. A print, flash, print is recommended for polyester. 60-110 TPI (23-43 TPcm). Screens stretched to a minimum of 25 newtons are recommended. Coarse meshes are recommended for a thicker ink deposit. The ATP inks have excellent adhesion and will produce a long print life on loosely woven nylon substrates. Closed or tight weave nylon shell fabrics (used in jackets) will still require MF-66 Nylon Bonding Agent. Warning: Some jackets are waterproofed and may prevent MF-66 from bonding. A solvent wipe of the fabric may be required.
  - Depending on your flash unit, ATP Inks will flash in 3 seconds (10 watts per sq. in/heating area) or 4-5 seconds (6-7 watts per sq. in. / heating area).