

# KIWOPRINT TC2500/1

## 1. DESCRIPTION

### Solvent based pressure sensitive adhesive

KIWOPRINT TC 2500/1 is a high performance screenprintable adhesive for instrument panels, touch panels, or appliques in the automotive/ electronic industries. Depending on the characteristics of the substrate, materials bonded with KIWOPRINT TC 2500/1 are very difficult to remove or even permanent.

## 2. ADHESIVE PERFORMANCE

Data from adhesive screenprinted on 50µ PET film

WET FILM THICKNESS	90µ / 3.6 mil
THEORETICAL DRY FILM THICKNESS*1	40µ
THEORETICAL COVERAGE	90 ml/m <sup>2</sup> 453 FT <sup>2</sup> /GAL
TAC VALUE *2	1,000-1,200g
PEEL VALUE: 72hr *3	25 N/cm 5.7 lbs/in

\*1 Calculated figure. \*2 90µ wet film thickness. Measured with Polyken Tack Tester, 1 sec. adhering, pull-off speed: 0.5 cm/sec. \*3Peel strength per PSTC 1, measured in N/cm. on Lloyd type L500 with load cell 100N, Class 1, DIN 51221 for tension & compression. Peel speed: 300mm/min. Bonded to polished stainless steel (raw material 1.4301) with hand roller as per PSTC standard: roller weight 10 lbs, 5 times each direction. Bonding area 1 x 4 inches.

## 3. STATIC SHEAR

At least 1,000 minutes Adhesive deposit 90µ wet, @20°C / 68°F, printed on polyester; applied to polished stainless steel; 1 in<sup>2</sup> overlap, 2.24 lb / 1 kg weight; measured on ETS Shear tester: Mark 6 per FINAT #8

## 4. SUBSTRATES

Rigid PVC, glass, metal, cardboard and industrial foams as well as polycarbonate, polyester, polyethylene and polypropylene and other industrial plastics can be used with KIWOPRINT TC 2500/1. *Polystyrene may also be used, though it must be noted the solvent may craze the surface. If visibility of the crazed surface is not a problem, the crazing may actually contribute to higher peel strength.*

**NOTE:** It is important to test all substrates for their suitability. (i.e. plasticizers in soft PVC may soften the adhesive resulting in reduced adhesion.)

## 5. MESH SELECTION

Use: 54T - 196T threads/in or 21T - 77T threads/cm. During mesh selection, it is important to understand the higher the wet ink deposit is, the greater the peel strength will be. The rule in general is: coarser thread counts deposit more adhesive. *Continued next column* There are exceptions; so it is best to refer to the manufacturer's mesh specifications to aid in making your selection

## 6. STENCIL SELECTION

Solvent-resistant direct emulsions must be used such as KIWOCOL POLY-PLUS S, SWR or KIWOCOL 31.

## 7. REDUCING

KIWOPRINT TC 2500/1 is ready to use. When desired, the adhesive can be reduced using Kiwo Reducer L14s up to 10%. Reducing the adhesive can negatively influence printing characteristics and peel strength.

## 8. DEFOAMING

KIWOMIX ZL 1058 can be used if the adhesive foams during printing. The proper ratio is: 1-3% KIWOMIX to 100% KIWOPRINT TC 2500/1. Start with a minimum amount (.5 to 1%) of KIWOMIX. Increase only as needed. Use of more than 3% KIWOMIX will noticeably reduce peel strength.

Test all modifications before using in production.

## 9. ADHESIVE COLORS

Pigmenting the adhesive can reduce the peel strength; therefore, it is not recommended.

Colored Kiwoprint TC or L products are available in full batch (~800 Kg) quantity on special order.

## 10. APPLICATION METHOD

Screenprinting, knife coating, brush. When screenprinting use a medium shore squeegee(60-70). The optimal printing temperature is 18-25°C / 64-77°F

## 11. DRYING

By room temperature or conventional IR dryers. Drying time depends on type and quantity of adhesive, substrate, drying temperature, humidity, and air movement.

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The following figures are only a guide. Your drying environment may yield different values. (Continued).

MESH COUNT	20°C / 68°F	70°C / 158°F
21 T/cm / 54 T/in	90 min.	3 min.
34 T/cm / 86 T/in	60 min.	2.2 min.
43 T/cm / 110 T/in	50 min.	2 min.
77 T/cm / 196 T/in	30 min.	1 min.

Only properly dried adhesive films give proper performance and high peel values.

## 12. CLEANING

Wet/Dry: Reducer L14s

## 13. DIE CUTTING

To avoid problems during die-cutting, die line should be at a distance of 0.5 - 1mm from the adhesive layer.

## 14. BACKLIT PARTS

Backlit windows should not be covered with adhesive as this will change the light intensity.

## 15. PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

BASE: Rubber in solvent containing butylacetate

COLOR: Wet: colorless to slightly yellow  
Dried: transparent to slightly yellow

TEMPERATURE RESISTANCE: -4°F to 180°F under 30g load  
-20°C to 82°C under 30g load

VISCOSITY: Approx. 2,500 – 3,000 mPas  
Rheomat STV, System DII, 20°C / 68°F

SOLIDS CONTENT: Approx. 46% ±1%

DENSITY: Approx. 0.92 g/ccm

VOC: 487 G/ltr  
4.05 lbs/Gal

FLASH POINT 41°C / 106°F

PRECAUTIONS/  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT: Please see the MSDS

STORAGE: At least 1 year at 20°C / 68°F in properly closed original container

## 16. PACKAGING

900 g =Approx. 1 qt  
4.5 kg =Approx. 1 Gal  
25 kg =Approx. 5.5 Gal

## 17. ADHESION:

Bonding with KIWOPRINT TC 2500/1 can be improved by:

- A. Using parts free of mold release agents or substances such as fats, oil, wax dust impregnations, etc. (Make sure all parts that come in contact with the adhesive are dry.)
- B. Optimum application temperature : 20-60°C.or 68-140°F
- C. Additional pressure (approx.: 3-4 bar) with a heated silicone rubber pad 40-50°C.or 104-122°F
- D. Preventing air bubbles and stretching the substrate during application.
- E. Flat and smooth substrate (i.e. pressure molding parts without burrs or sprue marks.)
- F. Sufficient adhesion surface area relative to total surface area.

## 18. PRECAUTIONS:

The following recommendations need to be considered:

- A. Check the specifications/ requirements such as tack values, peel strength, climate, temperature and UV resistance.
- B. Choose a suitable substrate and test for compatibility with the KIWOPRINT TC 2500/1. Example: soft PVC may interact with the adhesive layer.
- C. If direct contact between printing ink and adhesive will occur, test for compatibility, as some inks may interact with the adhesive layer. . Long term compatibility with the applied printing inks and substrates is of special importance. Also, test the influences of the liner material and the substrate quality ( roughness, residues from separating agents and plasticiser migration.)

All products mentioned in this technical data sheet are available through KIWO. For further information contact KIWO at 1-800-KIWO-USA.

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