

CLEANING FLEXOGRAPHIC PLATES

Recommendations

Cleaning photopolymer flexographic plates correctly is important for maintaining good print quality and ensuring long plate life.

The back surface of the plate — whether new or previously used — must be clean and free of contamination prior to mounting.

Please note: Automated plate washers are used to clean ink and residue from the *print surface* of the plates. They **do not clean the back** of the plate and may leave residue behind.

Next Step – Need Help?

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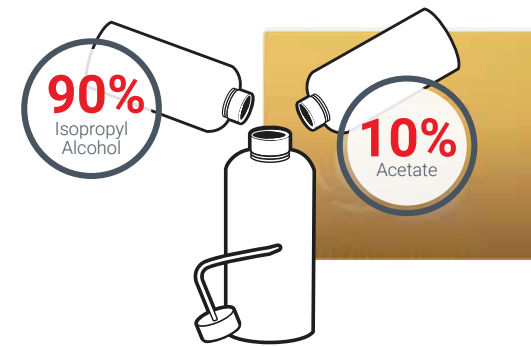
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Always clean the back of the plate before mounting



Contaminated plates significantly **increase** the **risk of plate lifting or excessive bonding** of the tape to the plate



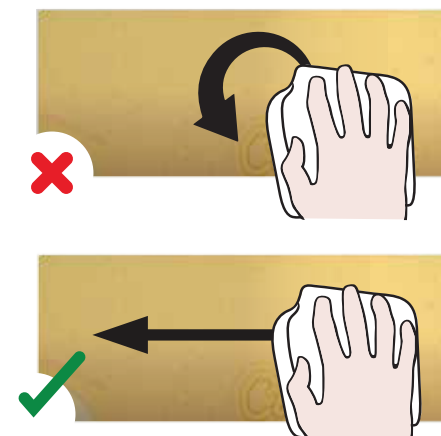
Thoroughly clean the back of the plate using a solution of **90% isopropyl alcohol and 10% acetate**



Using a **squirt bottle** rather than a plunger can **is strongly recommended**.



Always use **fresh, clean materials** to clean the back of the plate



Avoid circular cleaning motions, as they may spread contamination. It is best practice to wipe the plate in **straight lines**.



The plate must be totally dry to prevent contamination **during the mounting process**, and also to **prevent plate lifting**