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# STRETCHABLE SILVER CONDUCTIVE INK T1.0

# SETCIT12410

# **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

Water-based Silver conductive ink for printing stretchable circuits. It needs to be printed in combination with one of the dedicated encapsulating inks (EPTATECH SEPRPE10010, SEPRPE10020, SEPRTR17010).

# **APPLICATION FIELDS**

- The ink is printed in combination with encapsulating inks on sacrificial supports from which the final set of inks can be removed. Depending on the selected encapsulant, the final application can be:
  - on textile surfaces by using "transfer printing" technique, common in the Textile Industry (a thermoplastic adhesive, like EPTAINKS TEXIFLOCK E-FF, is needed). Suggested transfer conditions: 180°C, 4 bar, 15 seconds or 130°C, 4 bar, 30 seconds
     Peel off cold
  - on a non-textile surface, as a "decal"
  - "self-standing" circuits, resembling those printed on elastic membranes, that can be peeled off from the printing support

# **GENERAL FEATURES**

- Sheet resistivity: < 30 mOhm/sq@25μm at 0% elongation
- High flexibility and excellent elasticity
- High dry content
- High printability
- Can be over-printed by other EPTATECH conductive inks
- Formaldehyde and phtalates free

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Support Th/cm	Polyester release film with
	encapsulant layer as primer
	From 43 Th/cm (110 Th/inch)
Suggested Emulsions	to 55 Th/cm (140 Th/inch)
	Eptatech
	ZERO-IN UNIVERSAL PLUS,
Squegee	ZERO-IN KS 200
	Square edge
Drying	Hardness 60-65 Shore
	120°C, 2 minutes
Drying	110°C, 3minutes
Recommended	150°C, 5 minutes or
curing	120°C, 15 minutes
Thinner	In case, max 2% water
Cleaning	Water or Screen clean ST
Storage	Away from solar light
Storage	Temperature 15°-35°C
Package	1 Kg
Safety Data Sheet	Available upon request

#### **PREPARATION**

- Ready-to-use ink. Does not require dilution.
- Stir the ink well and gently before printing.

#### **APPLICATION**

- For the best definition, during printing, it is recommended to adjust the off contact and the pressure of the squeegee at their best, in order to obtain an ink film that can remain onto the surface of the substrate.
- Keep the screen wet, by nebulizing water.

#### **CURING**

Curing must take place at 120° - 150°C.



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#### **SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- Always test the printing characteristics, before starting production.
- Always check curing conditions.
- This ink does not resist dry cleaning and bleaching.
- Squeegees, screens and cases, that are used with other ink series, must be cleaned well, in order to avoid any possible contamination.
- In order to avoid a quick drying, due to environmental conditions:
  - o Print and lay an adequate ink quantity
  - In case of long breaks, do not cover the drawing in the screen, and spray small quantities of water, before starting again
  - Nebulize small quantities of water, in order to compensate the loss in humidity
- In case of medium-high print runs, a viscosity increment of the ink on the screen may take place. It is recommended to load small ink quantities and to replenish frequently.

# **EQUIPMENT**

Indicated for using onto automatic and semiautomatic machines.

#### IMPORTANT NOTE

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# **WARNING**

This technical data sheet does not replace either the Safety Data Sheet or the specific Conformity Declaration. These documents may be required to our SHEQ (Product safety office), at the following e-mail address: safety@eptainks.com The technical data sheet does not relieve the printer, who remains the only responsible of the respect of the regulations, the specifications and the related required certifications of the finished items.

