



GUM ETCH

Gum Etch has been developed to provide the printer with a product to eliminate problems associated with desensitisation, plate scratches, oxidation, ink pick up on damping rollers, plate storage etc. The use of Gum Etch will enhance water receptivity of metal surfaces, it can be used as a fountain additive for difficult jobs where problems occur with plate sensitisation, as an additive to standard gum solution to improve storage properties and ensure maximum water receptivity of the non-image areas.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Desensitising damping rollers: Thoroughly clean the damping rollers of ink using a product such as Meter-X designed for this purpose. Apply Gum Etch neat using a water damp sponge or wipe. Buff down to a dry film using a clean sponge or wipe. Gum Etch will ensure maximum water receptivity of the rollers and control over the damping water film.

Manual plate processing or storage: Either add Gum Etch to the standard gum solution - 1 part Gum Etch: 4 parts Standard Gum, or use Gum Etch diluted 1:1 with water. In either case apply using a clean, damp sponge or wipe and buff down to give a thin even film.

As a Scratch remover: Remove the ink from the affected area of the plate using a suitable solvent, then apply Gum Etch directly onto the damaged area, remove the excess and buff down.

As a fountain additive: Simply add Gum Etch to the mixed fountain solution. The maximum recommended dosage is 12.5 mlslitre.

