# **GEKKOTEX PERMANENT Grey Back**

For use in thermal and piezo inkjet printers. Datasheet 2019



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## **Material description**

Gekkotex is a self-adhesive polyester fabric that can be installed on virtually any surface. The permanent adhesive will ensure long lasting applications and a special inkjet coating will guaranty an excellent color tone and saturation.

Gekkotex is revolutionizing the marketplace when it comes to dressing public and commercial spaces. Gekkotex is the easiest way to change the visual appeal of a space. From cafes, bars and restaurants to high-street retail stores... The market and creative possibilities with Gekkotex are only as wide as your own imagination.

#### Indoor

The material is suitable for indoor use.

Apply dry to dry surfaces.

Before going into full production always test the proposed construction under actual application and end-use conditions.

## Qualifications

Polyester woven fabric Inkjet coating Matt surface Permanent adhesive Fast ink drying time

#### **Outdoor**

The material is not suitable for outdoor use.

## **Specifications**

Base material	100% polyester
	woven fabric
Denier	150D x 150D
Weight	173 g/m <sup>2</sup> +/- 5%
Thickness	201 μ +/- 5%
Threads per inch	38 T
Surface finish	Matt
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Surface finish  Liner weight	Matt 132 g/m <sup>2</sup> +/- 5%
Liner weight	132 g/m² +/- 5%

## Compatibility

The material is compatible with Solvent, Eco Solvent, Latex and UV curable inks.

Ink limit: 250%

Optimum printer temperature: 21°C

## **Applications**

Outdoor / Indoor signs Wallpaper Murals Fine art applications Booth displays Wall advertising

- Latex
- ► UV
- Eco Solvent
- Solvent

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### **Guidelines**

### **Printing**

Always chose the right media for the job and application. Keep in mind that different inks have different properties and that they can react in different ways to the chosen material. When printing with UV stable pigment inks, normally, the printed colors will be different than with dye

### **Light Stability**

The light stability of a plot is dependent on various factors. Ink type and media coating will have an affect but the most important factor is exposure to direct sunlight. Direct sunlight and UV rays will cause media deterioration on unprotected media within even a few weeks.

#### Mechanical Resistance

To protect the print against scratches and damage, it is recommended that the media is handled and used in a clean environment.

#### **Water Resistance**

Materials show high resistance to fingerprints, smudges and condensation when the plot is completely dry. However, direct contact with water for longer periods of time is not recommended.

## **After Printing**

To prevent smears, always let your print dry completely. When laminating (cold) let your prints dry for at least 20 minutes before starting the laminating process.

## **Troubleshooting**

Check that the media is compatible with your printer and ink. Chose the right print mode, check the media settings, perform cartridge alignment and clean the cartridges if necessary.

#### **Color Calibration**

As with all inkjet media, the material should be calibrated for the printer to achieve best results.

### **Loading Instructions**

The rate which ink is consumed over a given area varies between different printers and printer set-ups. Materials have excellent ink absorption capacity. When loading the media, use the right set-up mode to achieve the highest quality output.

### **Printer Settings and Ink Quantity**

For optimal results, select the highest print quality. Try to avoid three color composite black and use single color black instead.

#### Shelf Life And Environmental Aspects

The shelf life of TEPEDE media is 1 year under normal conditions (10-25% at a relative humidity of 30-75%). Higher humidity and/or temperatures can affect the product performance. Always store the media in a dark place

#### **Ecology**

The media and the final plots can be handled and disposed of as photographic color film or other similar inkjet film media. For the treatment of ink or ink residue, please refer to your printer manual or supplier.

### Help Available

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the TEPEDE sales department. We will properly inform you on all aspects of our media program.

#### Note

These specifications are subject to change without prior notice.

#### **Environmental Advantages**

Materials are produced from a gas combination created from previously burnt oil waste. Materials are resistant to alkalis, acid, organic solvents, bacterial growth and are non-toxic and non-staining. The base material can be melted and recycled up to 50 times to avoid the cost of placing unwanted waste into landfill sites. Recycled materials can be used for automotive parts, furniture, house ware and packaging.