



# CI-2036

## Carbon Ink for Print Treat Non-Print Treat PET

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<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>CI-2036</b> is a carbon conductive ink designed to adhere to print treated and non-print treated polyester. <b>CI-2036</b> adheres to a wide spectrum of substrates including print treated and non-print treated polyester, paper, and most plastic films. <b>CI-2036</b> is application ready with no dilution needed.	
<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Stable resistance</li><li>✓ Excellent adhesion</li><li>✓ Superior flexibility</li><li>✓ Extended screen residence</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ No dilution required</li><li>✓ Low application weights</li><li>✓ Fast curing</li><li>✓ Excellent printability</li></ul>
<b>TYPICAL UNCURED PROPERTIES</b>	Color Appearance Total Solids Content Density Flash Point VOC Theoretical Coverage	Black Thixotropic paste 45.6 % 9.7 lbs/gallon 212°F (100°C) Tag Close Cup 634.5 grams of solvent/liter 596.1 ft <sup>2</sup> /Gal/Mil 12.6 m <sup>2</sup> /kilogram/25.4 microns
<b>TYPICAL CURED PROPERTIES</b>	Electrical Resistance	1000 Ohms/Square @ 1.0 Mil +/- 20% (Cured at 10 Minutes at 230°F)

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**APPLICATION  
INFORMATION**

- Typical screens used are 180 - 220 mesh with a 1.0 mil emulsion.
- Stainless steel fabric can be used to increase dry film thickness.
- Complete cure can be confirmed by recuring the print a second time and testing the electrical resistance. The electrical resistance should not decrease by more than 5%.
- Typically, it is not possible to over cure **CI-2036**. Added curing will improve the flexibility and conductivity properties.
- **CI-2036** can also be cured with infrared energy. This method often provides improved properties over conventional heat curing.
- **CI-2036** can be blended with a resistance modifier to increase electrical resistance values. Please contact a Polymark technical service professional for recommendations.

**CURE SCHEDULE**

**CI-2036** does not require any leveling time and can be forced cured immediately after printing. Typical forced curing is for 10 minutes at 230 °F. Various time and temperature combinations can be used.

**CLEAN UP**

**CI-2036** can be cleaned up with M.E.K (Methyl Ethyl Ketone) or a blend of solvents that will completely clean a cured film. Screens and printing tools should be allowed to dry completely before reuse. To avoid possible squeegee swelling, a solvent resistant material such as polyurethane should be used. Typically a high durometer squeegee will provide the best results.

**STORAGE AND  
HANDLING**

- Shelf life is six (6) months in an unopened container when stored below 70°F.
- Store product below 70°F for maximum shelf life and minimal solvent loss. Avoid high temperature exposure.
- It is suggested that the product be stored at 55°F to increase shelf life. The product must be conditioned back to room temperature before use.

**HEALTH AND  
SAFETY**

- Use with adequate ventilation.
- Avoid skin contact.
- If ingested, consult a physician immediately.
- Consult the product Material Safety Data Sheet for additional information.

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