

## 11200WHW Oasis™ Hydrate HO White

Wilflex™ Oasis Hydrate HO White is a high solids water-based printing ink developed for use with the Hydrate ink system to provide soft hand, high opacity, and excellent wash and crock fastness on light and dark fabric grounds. Hydrate HO White can be used as an underbase flash white for increased opacity and strong color development with large vector graphics.

### Highlights

- ▶ Good screen "open" time.
- ▶ Smooth, matte surface with minimal tack.
- ▶ Flashes dry and fast.
- ▶ Excellent opacity for large vector graphics. Offers increased opacity compared to Oasis Hydrate White.
- ▶ Good elongation.
- ▶ Good wash fastness.
- ▶ Can be used with Oasis Discharge to yield soft prints with vibrant long-lasting color.
- ▶ Low viscosity ink that will print easily on manual and automatic presses.

### Printing Tips

- ▶ Can be used as a stand alone or "flash" white for light or dark fabric grounds.
- ▶ For increased opacity, substitute Hydrate HO White as WPC when mixing custom colors.
- ▶ Hydrate inks will re-wet and flow when printed a few times after a break. Keep the flood bar down and clear from the image. Flooding over the image will cause more drying, as more surface area is exposed to the air.
- ▶ Keep the stencil in the unflooded position when printing stops. To avoid "drying-in" of stencil, cover the screen with a moist towel during any break lasting more than a few minutes. Avoid leaving ink in the screen for prolonged periods.
- ▶ For additional print tips and recommendations, please refer to the Oasis Hydrate Tips & Tools guide.

### Compliance

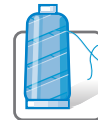
- ▶ Compliant with CPSIA 2008 (Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act) Section 101, Lead Content in Substrates (<100 ppm lead); 16 CFR, Part 1303, Lead in Paint (<90 ppm lead); and CPSIA 2008, Section 108, Phthalates (<0.1% DEHP, DBP, BBP, DINP, DIDP, DNOP).
- ▶ Non-PVC, Non-Phthalate.

### Precautions

- ▶ Completely mix pigments before any printing.
- ▶ Excess additions of Oasis additives into Oasis inks may adversely affect ink properties.
- ▶ Screens must be prepared with water-resistant emulsion to prevent stencil breakdown on press. Some emulsions will require a hardener to further prevent the printing process from degrading the stencil.
- ▶ To avoid ink interaction in the image area, verify that the screen mesh is clean of previous ghost images. The image area must be clean and de-hazed.
- ▶ Ink cure temperature is recommended at 340°F (171°C) for 1 full minute. This parameter generally requires an oven setting of 340°F (171°C) for at least 2 minutes. Check the cure temperature at the ink surface.
- ▶ Infrared dryers may affect curing times. Carefully test and monitor different heat capacities to ensure full cure of inks.
- ▶ Avoid synthetic fabrics where dye migration will occur.
- ▶ Most substrates are suitable for printing; however, fibers which possess a low surface adhesion (e.g. polypropylene, silk, polyamide or wool) will require special care during drying and cure processes. Test all fabrics for color fixation and wash fastness before starting any production runs.
- ▶ Perform fusion tests before production. Failure to cure ink properly may result in poor wash fastness, inferior adhesion and unacceptable durability. Ink flash temperatures should be measured on the ink surface using an infrared thermometer sensor. Ink cure temperatures should be measured using a Thermoprobe placed directly in the wet ink film (printed) and verified on the production run substrate(s) and production equipment. It is the responsibility of the printer to determine that the correct ink has been selected for a specific substrate and the application processes meet your customer's standards or specifications.
- ▶ Containers must maintain air-tight seal when not in use.
- ▶ **NON-CONTAMINATION OF OASIS INKS:** Do not add or mix non-Oasis inks, additives or extenders with Oasis inks. All buckets, palette knives, stirring apparatus, squeegees, flood bars and screens must be cleaned properly and free of phthalates and PVC containing inks. Non-phthalate emulsions and pallet adhesives must be used. Failure to follow these precautions may cause phthalate contamination in violation of consumer protection laws and regulations.
- ▶ Any application not referred in this product information bulletin should be pre-tested or consultation sought with Wilflex Technical Services Department prior to printing.
- ▶ Email: [techserviceswilflex@polyone.com](mailto:techserviceswilflex@polyone.com)

## Recommended Parameters

Opacity	9	
Bleed Resistance	N/A	
Smooth Surface	9	
Flash	8	
Gloss	5	
Printability	9	



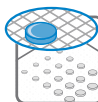
**Fabric Types**  
100% cotton, some synthetics, some blends



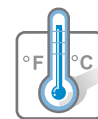
**Mesh**  
Counts: 110-160 t/in (43-62 t/cm)  
Tension: 20-35 n/cm<sup>2</sup>



**Squeegee**  
Durometer: 60-70 shore, 60/90/60  
Edge: Square, Sharp  
Stroke: Soft Stroke, Medium Speed  
Angle: Steep (15-20°)



**Water-Resistant Stencil**  
Direct: 2 over 2 (1-1-1-1)  
Capillary/Thick Film: N/A  
Off-Contact: 1/16" (.2cm) or lower  
Emulsion-over-Mesh: 15-20%



**Flash & Cure Temperatures**  
Flash: 190-200°F (88-93°C) ink temp  
Cure: 2 minutes @ 340°F (171°C)



**Pigment Loading**  
WPC: N/A



**Oasis Additives**  
Oasis Softener: 0.5% rate, 3% max  
Oasis Retarder: 1% rate, 3% max  
Oasis Thickener: 0.1% rate, 1% max  
*\*All percentages listed at % by weight.*



**Storage**  
37-104°F (3-40°C).  
Use within one year of manufacture date.  
Keep containers sealed at all times.



**Clean Up**  
Warm Soap Water (Tap)  
Gentle Pressure



**Health & Safety**  
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Contact your local CSR.

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