### **Metallic Powders & Pastes**



Metallic pigments can be added to solvent-based and UV-curable screen printing ink. Metallic pigments are available as powders and pastes.

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### **User Information**

### Mesh

Match particle size to the mesh count/mesh opening. When the mesh opening is too small, larger pigment particles are blocked from passing through the screen and onto the substrate, eventually blocking the printing of the ink.

Particle Size in Microns	Mesh Count
45-55 μm	195-55tpi (77tpcm) or lower
40-45 μm	230-48tpi (90tpcm) or lower
35-40 μm	280-34tpi (110tpcm) or lower
20-35 μm	305-34tpi (120tpcm) or lower
10-20 μm	355-34tpi (140tpcm) or lower

Reference your mesh manufacturer's guidelines as to the mesh count, thread diameter and mesh open area to determine the printing requirements with respect to pigment particle size.

### **Pigment Load**

Depending on ink system, mesh count, adhesion, cure, and desired effect, the recommended percentages by weight:

Gold/Coppers					
Powders – Up to 15% by weight					
Pastes – Up to 18% by weight					
Aluminums					
Powders – Up to 8% by weight					
Paste – Up to 12% by weight					

Chemical reactions in metallic inks may result in viscosity, color and printability changes over time. Mix only enough metallic ink to be used the same day.

When inks are to be printed over Metallic color, the overprinting ink(s) must be evaluated for intercoat adhesion over the Metallic color before proceeding with the production run. To maximize intercoat adhesion over Metallic colors, we recommend that the Metallic color be printed as late as possible in the print sequence.

### **Leafing / Non- Leafing**

Non-leafing pigments are characterized by an even particle distribution throughout the coating and may tend to have less sheen than leafing pigments.

Leafing pigments are at or near the film surface, rather than distributed throughout the coating. Leafing pigments tend to produce a brighter finish than non-leafing pigments; however, the surface can become damaged unless overprinted with clear.

#### Storage

Close tightly and store in a dry area.

#### Handling

It is recommended that all personnel mixing and handling these products minimize the creation of dust and wear gloves and safety glasses to prevent contact. See the appropriate MSDS for additional information.

# **Manufacturer's Product Offering**

Based on information from our raw material suppliers, these ink products are formulated to contain less than 0.06% lead. If exact heavy metal content is required, independent lab analysis is recommended.

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### **Color Card Materials**

<u>Special Effects Color Card (CARDSPL):</u> provides screen printed samples and visual reference of several Metallic Powders and Pastes.

### **Packaging / Availability**

All metallic Pigments are available in one pound containers.

ltem Number	Aluminum/Silver Pigments	Powder or Paste	Average particle Size (µm)
SIPM504	Aluminum Paste L-228	Paste	17
SIPM531	30 Aluminum Powder	Powder	20
SIPM591	Aluminum Paste	Paste	11
SIPM571	313 Aluminum Paste	Paste	24
SIPM573	2871 Aluminum	Powder	13
SIPM606	Aluminum 6600	Paste	18
BP120	Extra Fine Aluminum	Powder	20
BP195	Aluminum Lining	Powder	30
BP200	Superfine Aluminum	Powder	15
BP242	Extra Brilliant Alumin	Powder	50
BP325A	Aluminum	Powder	15
BP400A	Aluminum	Powder	10
BP807	Superfine Aluminum	Powder	15
Item Number	Rich Gold Pigments	Powder or Paste	Average particle Size (µm)
SIPM525	Rich Gold Powder	Powder	16
SIPM528	C12 Rich Gold Powder	Powder	9
SIPM610	Rich Gold Powder	Powder	35
BP400R	Rich Gold	Powder	10
BP91	Rich Gold Lining	Powder	20

Item Number	Rich/Pale Gold Pigments	Powder or Paste	Average particle Size (µm)
SIPM523	60 Rich Pale Gold Powder	Powder	35
BP177	Rich Pale Gold	Powder	20
BP400RP	Rich Pale Gold	Powder	10
BP99	Rich Pale Gold Lining	Powder	40
ltem Number	Pale Gold Pigments	Powder or Paste	Average particle Size (µm)
SIPM527	C12 Pale Gold	Powder	9
SIPM529	60 Pale Gold	Powder	35
SIPM530	Pale Gold Powder	Powder	16
BP24	Pale Gold Leaf	Powder	20
BP400P	Pale Gold	Powder	10
BP90	Light Pale Gold Lining	Powder	30
ltem Number	Copper Pigments	Powder or Paste	Average Particle Size (µm)
SIPM514	950 Copper	Powder	12
BP400C	Copper	Powder	10
BP93	Copper Lining	Powder	30

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