Procurement Policy

Why we have this policy

ABC Original Print is a 100% New Zealand owned business specialising in high-quality marketing material for the Point Of Sale (POS), Packaging, Product display, Product Promotion using large, medium and small format applications. We have been a market leader in the signage and display market since 1999.

We are aware of the responsibility we have to minimise the impact that our organisation and it's supply chain may cause.

What our Policy is

To meet this responsibility, we will commit ourselves to:

- Minimising the impact our supply chain may have on the environment.
- Ensuring our supply chain is sustainably and ethically sourced
- Acting ethically and fairly in the treatment of our suppliers.
- Ensuring our supply chain abides by the laws and regulations of the country of where that product was manufactured or service supplied.
- Respecting the fundamental Conventions of the International Labour Organisation namely the following:
    - C87 and C98 regarding Freedom Of Association
    - C138 and C182 on child labour
    - C29 and C105 on the abolition of forced labour

  We will ensure our supply chain also respects these Conventions.

Our Targets

We aim to do this by:

- Recommend using only sustainable HP HDR230 Scitex Inks that are UL GREENGUARD GOLD Certified, and meet AgBB criteria.*
- Where feasible using only responsibly sourced paper substrates through suppliers who use the FSC or PEFC schemes.
- Obtaining where possible our own FSC and PEFC certification for our completed products
- Replacing old equipment with, at a minimum an energy star rating greater than current equipment. Plus evaluating our commitment to sustainable printing.
- To minimise the use of materials which are not recyclable. Recommending alternative products to customers if the products are not recyclable.
- To use only services which align with the aims of our Environmental Policy.
- Ensuring our suppliers are aware of their obligations towards our Procurement Policy and we will undertake to get new and existing suppliers to make a signed commitment towards complying with our Legal, Ethical and Social Commitment Policy.

Scope

This policy applies to ABC Original Print's operations in all regions.

It will be communicated to:

● All affected internal and external stakeholders

Signed

Managing Director

Governance

This policy is reviewed annually by the Directors and department heads.

Performance against this policy is discussed annually with staff and affected stakeholders.

Any issues will be reported to the Directors.

Related policies & documents

- Environmental
- Code of conduct
- Supplier Integrity Letter
- Legal, Ethical & Social Commitments

* HP HDR230 Scitex Inks are formulated to produce low-odor prints that are tested according to the DIN EN 1230-1 odor standard for paper and board intended to come into contact with foodstuffs. Print odor is rated on a scale of 0 (no perceptible odor) to 4 (strong odor). Print odor with HP HDR230 Scitex Inks at POP Production is rated 1-2 for prints produced in matte mode. Odor test results validated by internal HP testing.

UL GREENGUARD GOLD Certification to UL 2818 demonstrates that products are certified to UL's GREENGUARD standards for low chemical emissions into indoor air during product usage. For more information, visit ul.com/gg or greenguard.org. Tested on prints made on Scrolljet 904 175 g/m paper, printed at Fast Sample, 80% UV power, 220% ink coverage. Using UL GREENGUARD GOLD Certified inks does not indicate the end product is certified. HP HDR230 Scitex Inks meet AgBB criteria for health-related evaluation of VOC emissions of indoor building products. AgBB compliance evaluation was conducted for a 28 day test period at UL Environment Inc. labs. For more information, visit:umweltbundesamt.de/en/topics/health/commissions-working-groups/committee-for-health-related-evaluation-of-building. Tested on prints made on Scrolljet 904 175 g/m paper, printed at Fast Sample, 80% UV power, 220% ink coverage. Using inks that meet AgBB criteria does not indicate the end product meets the criteria.

Prints made with HP HDR230 Scitex Inks on Ekman GMWM130, 130 g/m coated media have been independently tested by Papiertechnische Stiftung (PTS) and have been certified as having "Good Deinkability" according to the European Recovered Paper Council (ERPC 2009) Deinking Scorecard and INGEDE Method 11 (PTS Test Report No.20874-2, May 2015). In addition, prints made with HP HDR230 Scitex Inks on PWell E-Flute corrugated board with Graph+ liner media have been independently tested by Papiertechnische Stiftung (PTS) per the PTS-RH 21/97 method for recyclability and are considered "conditionally recyclable," which can be effectively improved by dispersion (PTS Test Report No. 20874-1, May 2015).

In internal HP testing performed in January 2015, samples of PWell E-Flute corrugated board with Graph+ liner were printed in POP Production in "Corrugated appearance" on an HP Scitex HDR Press using HP HDR230 Scitex Inks and were tested within 72 hours of printing. Boards were folded once through 180 degrees to one direction to simulate a common finishing stage in printed box production. No cracking of the image layer was observed. Rub resistance was rated greater than 4 on coated media when tested in accordance with ASTM D-5264 on a scale of 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent). Smearing tests demonstrated excellent smear resistance when evaluated by running a one - test cycle using a Taber 5750 Linear Abraser with additional weight of 1350 grams at 25 cycles/minute. Internal HP testing as of March 2015 comparing the rub resistance of HP HDR230 Scitex Inks to leading competitors demonstrated significantly greater surface durability.

For indoor applications, prints provide up to 24 months indoor durability. Tested according to indoor lightfastness predictions using a light exposure chamber and illumination from bare-bulb fluorescent lamps (with no glass or plastic sheet between the lamps and prints). The test was conducted at an office ambient temperature and humidity on Metsäboard Kemiart Graph+ liner media in accordance with ANSI/ISO IT9.9-1996.