

iColor® Hot Stamping Foil Instructions

The iColor® Hot Stamping Foil allows you to augment your already transferred design by pressing a variety of foil colors on top of your graphic. The foil adheres to any transferred design and adheres best to composite black toner based prints. Also recommended to use with like colored designs. For example, apply orange foil on an orange colored design to mask any imperfections.

iColor® Hot Stamping Foil presses at (310°F / 154°C), which is the same temperature as the iColor® Standard 2-Step Paper, so there is no waiting for your heat press to change temperature between presses. Some care must be taken when pressing onto some types of synthetic material such as nylon or polyester. Spandex or lycra material is not recommended.

iColor® Hot Stamping Foil is available in a very large variety of colors and designs to suit any situation. Augment your graphic transfers with iColor® Hot Stamping Foil.

- 1. Preheat your heat press to (310°F / 154°C)
- 2. Thread your garment onto the press, graphic side up
- 3. Cut out a pieces of foil matching the size and shape of your design. You can mix and match different styles on the same graphic.
- 4. Place the foil over your design, color side up
- 5. Cover with a Teflon sheet and press at (310°F / 154°C) for 30 seconds on medium high pressure.
- 6. Open the press, remove the Teflon sheet, and rub the foil with a piece of textile for a few seconds to solidify and cool the foil while still on the press. Remove and let cool for 3 5 minutes.
- 7. Once the garment is completely cooled, carefully peel away the foil in one smooth, continuous motion. The foil will adhere to the graphic only where toner is present. Removal while still warm could lead to an incomplete or faulty transfer.
- 8. Re-Pressing (fixing) the image into the garment is important for wash durability. Place kraft paper over the image and re-press for roughly 20 seconds at $310^{\circ}F / 154^{\circ}C$.

TIPS

There are many variables that could produce different results. Specific steps may need to be altered based on:

- Type and brand of Heat Press: The temperature and duration varies slightly based on the heat press being used. All instructions are based on using a Hotronix Fusion press. Clam shell and swing away presses may also yield different results. Always place the transfer media in the middle of your heat press. Some heat presses do not have uniform heat and pressure distribution.
- Type of garment: Cotton, Polyester, Spandex and Lycra material all respond differently to heat. All instructions are based on cotton garments.
- For best results, press the foil onto composite black graphics. You can also match the color of the graphic with the color of the foil to hide imperfections. It is better to apply the foil onto a graphic before it post-pressed or fixed if possible.

Only use kraft paper made for heat press applications! The use of butcher paper or other kinds not specifically designed for heat transfer applications can cause the image to stick to the paper.

It is recommended to wash finished garments inside out in cold or warm water and low agitation. Tumble dry on low setting - For best results, hang to dry.

To see video instructions for iColor® Hot Stamping Foil, visit www.icolorprint.com/video

Also available:

iColor® 1-Step LIGHT and SPEED TRANS LIGHT Transfer Media for light colored garments

iColor® 2-Step **Standard** Transfer Media for light and dark colored garments

iColor® 2-Step GLITTER Adhesive Transfer Media (for use with iColor® 2-Step Standard Transfer Media)

iColor® 2-Step *Premium* and *Premium* STRETCH Transfer Media for light and dark colored garments

iColor® 2-Step Presto! Transfer Media for textiles and hard surfaces

iColor® 1-Step CLASSIC, Premium, WOOD AND LEATHER and CERAMIC Hard Surface Transfer Media

iColor® 1-Step AquaClear Transfer Media

iColor® 2-Step Temporary Tattoo Transfer Media

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