

# Printing and Transfer Instructions for Ink Jet Opaque Transfer Paper (#IJOP) Recommended for DARK colored Fabrics

## PRINTING

- Design or select your image on the computer
- DO **NOT** set your printer to mirror the image. Use the standard printing orientation.
- Print your image on the coated side of the transfer paper—the duller, rougher white side is the coated side. (DO **NOT** print on the shiny side. The shiny side is the backing of the transfer)
- Allow the printed image to dry. Depending upon your printer settings, the transfer will typically be ready for application immediately.
- Trim as close to the edge of your image as possible to avoid a white outline or white background showing, as any unprinted areas will appear white.

## SUGGESTED PRINTER SETTINGS (DO NOT OVERSATURATE COLORS. IT WILL NOT ENHANCE TRANSFER QUALITY. A LITTLE COLOR GOES A LONG WAY)

Printer	Paper Setting	Image Quality Setting
Lexmark	T-Shirt Transfer	Best
HP DeskJet	T-Shirt Transfer	Best
Canon	T-Shirt Transfer	Default
Epson C86 / C88	Plain Paper	Photo / Best Photo
Epson 1280	360 DPI	Photo / Best Photo
Epson R200	Photo – Quality Inkjet	Photo / Best Photo
Epson 4000	Photo – Quality Inkjet	Automatic

## HEAT TRANSFER APPLICATION

### Commercial Heat Press

- Set heat press at 375° and 400° Fahrenheit and allow it to come up to set point
- Set press for medium pressure
- Pre-heat garment/fabric for a few seconds to remove moisture or wrinkles
- Starting from the edge or corner, gently peel the printed transfer sheet from the paper backing. You can discard or recycle the paper backing.
- Position transfer paper on your fabric or garment with the IMAGE FACING UP
- Position the enclosed parchment paper on top of the transfer image. Make sure it covers the entire image area
- Press with Heat Press for 25-30 seconds. Parchment paper can be removed while hot or cold.

### Home hand Iron

- It is best to use a smooth, hard, non-porous surface. DO NOT USE AN IRONING BOARD
- Pre-heat iron to highest setting (**Cotton/Linen**) DO NOT ADD WATER TO THE IRON
- Allow the iron to pre-heat for 5 minutes.
- Place a pillowcase on the ironing surface and iron it to remove any wrinkles.
- Pre-iron your garment or fabric to remove any moisture or wrinkles.
- Starting from the edge or corner, gently peel the printed transfer sheet from the paper backing. You can discard or recycle the paper backing.
- Position transfer paper on your fabric or garment with the IMAGE FACING UP
- Position the enclosed parchment paper on top of the transfer image. Make sure it covers the entire image area.
- Using FIRM STEADY PRESSURE, holding the iron with both hands and applying your body weight, iron each area of the transfer sheet for 20-30 seconds. Lift the iron each time you change direction—make sure you overlap each area. Thoroughly iron all of the edges, corners and center of the transfer sheet for a **TOTAL** ironing time of 2-3 minutes for the entire transfer. Longer pressing times may be necessary for larger transfers or thicker fabrics.
- Remove paper while hot or cold.

**LAUNDRY INSTRUCTIONS** – Wash & dry your transfer according to the fabric's normal washing instructions, however washing inside out can lengthen the life of the transfer.

**STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS** – Always store unused paper in a cool, dry area. Keep it sealed in a plastic bag so paper is not exposed to any excess moisture. If you are not immediately going to use the transfer, after it has thoroughly dried, keep it stored in a plastic bag until you are ready to use it.

**NOTE:** Testing procedures to simulate real world use have been established and applied to our paper products in our technical and research department. We have tested our products multitude substrates; using different printers, transfer equipment, detergents washing processes, etc. We still recommend that you test the paper on your chosen printer and material, as it is impossible to duplicate every printing or transfer application.

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