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AS-500 DJ

UV CURABLE ETCH RESIST

- **One Component Etching Resist**
- **Screen Print Application**
- **Blue in Color**
- **Excellent Printing Characteristics**
- Wide Processing Window
- **RoHS Compliant**
- Strips in Flakes that can be filtered out of stripper solution

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PROCESSING PARAMETERS FOR AS-500 DJ

AS-500 DJ is a one-component UV Cure etching resist. **AS-500 DJ** is applied by flood screen-printing. Flake action stripping allows for the **AS-500 DJ** to be removed by filtration from the stripping solution. This will increase the life of the stripper and reduce waste water contamination. **AS-500 DJ** shows excellent performance in continuous printing and resistance to enchant. All Taiyo America products comply with the Directive 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 on the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) in electrical and electronic equipment.

AS-500 DJ SPECIFICATIONS

Color: Blue Viscosity: 250 Ps Specific Gravity: 1.54

PRE-CLEANING

Prior to the application of **AS-500 DJ**, the copper surface must be free of all contaminants such as oils, oxides and particulate. For RTF/DSTF type foils commercial acid cleaners are adequate, for standard foils a persulfate or peroxide/sulfuric or other proprietary microetch is recommended. A 3 cascade rinse followed by a DI final rinse is recommended. The final dryer should provide a dry, stain free surface.

AS-500 DJ is also compatible with traditional micro etch process as well as mechanical cleaning methods such as pumice scrubbing, aluminum oxide jet scrub, and brush scrubbing systems.

SCREEN PRINTING Method: Single Sided and Double Sided Screening

Screen Mesh: 300 – 325 tpi

Screen Mesh Angle: 22.5° BiasScreen Tension: 20 - 28 Newtons

• Squeegee: 60 – 80 durometer

Squeegee Angle: 27 – 35°

Printing Mode: Flood / Print / Print

Flood Pressure: 20 – 30 psi

Printing Speed: 2.0 – 9.9 inches/sec

• Printing Pressure: 70 – 100 psi

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UV Cure AS-500 DJ requires a UV Cure. The UV Cure requires a high-pressure mercury-vapor or metal-halide lamp. Below are guidelines for UV Curing **AS-500 DJ**.

Type of UV Lamps	Energy	Number of Lamps	Conveyor Speed
High Pressure Mercury	800 mJ/cm ²	3 – Lamps	4-6 m/min
Vapor Lamp	1200 mJ/cm ²	3 – Lamps	3-5 m/min
Metal Halide Lamp	800 mJ/cm ²	3 – Lamps	5-7 m/min
	1200 mJ/cm ²	3 – Lamps	4-6 m/min
UV Energy Readings	800 - 1200 mJ/cm ²	(measured with an Internation	onal Light IL-90 radiometer)

ETCHING / PLATING

Etchant: Acid

Plating: ENIG or Acid Based Plating Chemistries

STRIPPING

Stripper: 2.0 – 3.0% by wt. of NaOH
Temperature: 104 – 122°F (40 – 50°C)

For Process Optimization please contact your local Taiyo America Representative

FINAL PROPERTIES

Test Item	Test Conditions	Results
Adhesion	Internal Test	100/100
Pencil Hardness	Internal Test	Н
Resistance to Etching Solution	Cupric chloride 200 g/l, HCl 150 g/l,	Pass,
Immersion Method	50°C, 2 min	No ink Peeling
Stripping	2wt% NaOH	Pass,
Immersion Method	25°C / 15 seconds	No Ink Residue

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