

# Alphafount SF 110 certified by FOGRA

Fountain solution for high-speed presses and alcohol reduced printing

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## **Product description**

This fountain additive is dedicated to modern high-speed presses equipped with process automation and control systems and is well suited for perfecting units.

It is designed to provide top performance with UV inks, metallic compositions and traditional mineral oil-, or vegetal oil based ink.

The ink water balance is extraordinary stable and unfolds its excellence even under the mix of high printing speed, perfecting, sophisticated substrate material, UV curing and spot colour application.

The low water uptake and thus best controlled ink split cares for minimum oscillation of colour density and dot gain that keeps the print image contrast at highest level and consistency of colour sheet by sheet.

Part of the formulation effectuates smart drying behaviour, avoiding smearing, set-off and marking.

Besides qualities, like good clean-running features and prevention of bacterial attack within the complete mixing system, a special conceived buffering avoids calcium carbonate deposits.

#### **Features**

- Built-in corrosion guard, safeguarding press components.
- High-performance anti-piling properties to avoid press downtime;
- Suitable for food grade printing (foodstuffs sector);
- Effective calcium blocker prevents deposits on ink rollers;
- Contains de-foamer for proper circulation in the piping system;
- Alcohol reduced, IPA dosage between 3 and 8%;
- Best performance at dosage 2,5% 3,5%;
- At pH 4.8 to 5.5 gives bright colours and faster starts and restarts;
- High concentration of plate protective components for all types of plates.
- Suitable for food grade printing.

#### **Technical data**

To achieve the optimum performance, it is recommended that *Alphafount SF 110* Fountain Solution be used at 2,5% - 3,5%. Conductivity of the press-ready solution will be approximately approx. 1100  $\mu$ S/cm (at 2,5%).

To verify the conductivity of the press-ready solution, prepare a control sample using local water at the desired dosage. Record the pH and conductivity to serve as the performance target on press.

Physical properties		
Dosage	2,5 – 3,5 %	
PH-value	4,8 - 5,5	
Conductivity	ca. 1100 μS/cm	
Density	1,063 – 1,068 kg/l	
IPA-dosage	3-8%	

Compatibility of inks		
Conventional inks	yes	
Metal inks	yes	
UV-inks	yes	
Food grade printing	yes	

Compatibility of plates		
Thermal plates	all brands	
Violet plates	all brands	
Conventional plates	all brands	



## Storage/handling/packing

Storage and handling	<ul> <li>No dangerous goods.</li> <li>Store at moderate temperatures (8 - 40°C).</li> <li>The usage of safety gloves is recommended.</li> <li>Keep container tightly closed.</li> <li>Keep away from direct sun light.</li> </ul>	
Shelf life	12 months after the date of manufacturing	
Packing	10/20/200 kg can/container	
Caution	avoid contact with skin and eyes	

### **Usage and product-instructions**

To ensure an optimal tray life thoroughly clean the dosing circulation and feeding systems with fount system cleaner and deglaze ink train and dampening rubber rollers before charging the press unit freshly mixed solution.

Ideal dilution depends on press speed, type of dampening system, type of ink and quality of paper. *Alphafount SF 110* Fountain Solution is designed to run at 2,5% dosage.

After establishing the working concentration, the conductivity and pH should be recorded. This data can then serve as an on-press quality control tool.

**Attention:** A too high or too low dosage of the additive may cause printing difficulties. The ink-water balance may be affected ending in dysfunctional ink split.

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