



# Technical Information

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## Product Name

85-601646-4 78-3 Foam varnish E44

## 1. Description / Application

Foam-effect varnish which is printed as last layer on top of the inks or varnishes. The foam effect appears right after printing. The time between printing and curing influences the structure-intensity. The effect depends on the printing conditions, flat, rotary screen printing, substrate, printing speed. For that reason, preliminary tests under original conditions are necessary.

## 2. Product Safety

### Intended Use

Food packaging, pharma, or hygiene: **NO**

Only acceptable for food packaging if the processing conditions rule out the possibility of set-off in the reel or stack and the design of the final printed article ensures reliable functional barrier properties to migration. For further information, please refer to **Siegwerk's Customer Guidance: Printing Inks for Food Packaging ("Know How")** on <https://www.siegwerk.com/en/our-responsibility/product-responsibility/customer-communications/food-packaging-safety.html> in particular chapter 5. "The printer's selection of ink" has to be observed.

## 3. Properties / Substrates

### Substrates

Corona treated PE and PP, primered substrates.

Preliminary adhesion tests are recommended.

## 4. Printing and processing instructions

### Printing process

- flat and Rotary Screen Printing
- UV curing
- ready to print
- stir well before use
- screens and tools have to be clean and silicone-free

### Screen recommendation

Flat: 120 T  
Rotary: Screeny HS, RM 215 (21 %)

In case of doubt, please contact in time our technical department.



### Guidelines for use

*Before the print job is started, new materials must be checked for compatibility with the planned overprinting varnish/inks combination, even if their suitability on a comparable type of the same substrate group is proved.*

*The test prints, especially on self-adhesive labels, have to be examined after die-punching (in particular at the edges) for adhesion, resistance to scratching and water (resistance to wet scratching and scuffing), resistance to the packaging contents and other job-specific requirements.*

*Due to possible different material shrinkage and other alterations, these examinations must be repeated after one day.*

*Consequently, for every new job in which printing is done on a known material, but with untested ink and printing combinations, the aforementioned tests have to be carried out as well.*

Please see also the information on the material safety datasheet.

### Cleaning

The varnish can be removed from tools by using methoxypropanol.

## 5. Shelf life

This varnish has under normal conditions a shelf life of **at least 12 months**. Within this period the product is usable in conformity with the indications of this data sheet.

Normal conditions mean:

- Storage in firmly closed, not yet tapped containers.
- Temperatures not exceeding 20°C for weeks or 25°C for days.
- Do not expose open containers to direct sunlight or strong light sources.

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