



## Thermal Transfer Ribbon Technical Data Sheet

### R396 High Speed Durable Near Edge Resin

#### Product Description

R396 boasts print speeds up to 26 IPS (660mm per second) making this ribbon the choice for high-speed flexible packaging applications. In addition to its high performance, R396 surpasses the competition in abrasion resistance and is a viable solution to applications such as parts packaging, medical devices, cosmetics, healthcare, and pharmaceutical. R396 is designed with DNP's standard anti-static and backcoat properties to protect printheads and extend printhead life. And, like all DNP ribbons, R396 is an industry leader in Edge Definition™ producing dark, dense images for improved scan rates.

#### Recommended Applications



BEVERAGES



CONDIMENTS



COSMETICS



FLEXIBLE  
PACKAGING



MEATS AND  
CHEESES



PARTS  
PACKAGING



PRODUCE



SNACK  
FOODS

#### Recommended Substrates

Polypropylene, polyethylene, polyolefin, nylon, polyester films

#### Performance Characteristics

- Halogen-Free
- Extremely fast print speeds up to 26 IPS (660mm per second)
- Perfect for prime retail flexible packages
- Remarkable image density
- Superior abrasion resistance
- Unbeatable Edge Definition™ for dark, dense images and improved scan rates
- Anti-static for easy handling and extended printhead life
- DNP's specially formulated backcoating for printhead protection

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#### Ribbon Properties

Description	Result	Test Method
Ink	Resin	
Color	Black	Visual
Total Thickness	5.45 ± 0.9µ	Micrometer
Base Film Thickness	4.0µ ± 0.5µ	Micrometer
Ink Thickness	1.45 ± 0.4µ	Micrometer
Ink Melting Point	81°C (178°F)	Differential Scanning Calorimeter

#### Durability of Printed Image

Label Stock: Polypropylene Film

Print Speed: 2 to 26 IPS

Description	Result	Test Method
Print Density	> 1.40	Densitometer
Smudge Resistance	A*	Colorfastness Tester - 100 Cycles @ 500 Grams with Cotton Cloth
Scratch Resistance	A*	Colorfastness Tester - 50 Cycles @ 200 Grams with Stainless Steel Pointed Tip

\*American National Standard Institute (ANSI) Grade Levels A, B, C, D, and F, where A is excellent, B is above average, C is average, D is below average, and F is poor.

#### Conversion Chart

Millimeters (mm) to Inches = mm ÷ 25.4	Inches to Millimeters (mm) = Inches ÷ 0.03937
Meters (m) to Feet (ft) = m ÷ 0.3048	Feet (ft) to Meters (m) = Feet ÷ 3.2808
C° to F° = (1.8 X C°) + 32 = F°	F° to C° = (F° ÷ 1.8) - 17.77
Thousand square inches (MSI) to m <sup>2</sup> = MSI X 0.645	MSI = m <sup>2</sup> ÷ 0.645

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