

# Instructions for Purchasing & Using Permanent (Industrial) Inks.

## Warnings!!!!

1. Permanent Inks not only dry fast on surface stamped but also dry fast in the pad.
2. Permanent Inks require more work than normal inks.
3. Many Permanent Inks have specific applications.
4. Industrial Inks are sold as separately as ink bottles and dry pads or in kits.  
*(They are not sold as already inked pads!!)*
5. Permanent Inks are available in limited colors.
6. Pre-inked Pads sold as permanent are not industrial grade and will definitely require increased drying times and/or heat setting. We do offer these types.
7. Glossy hard surfaces, such as CDs are the hardest items to stamp and we do not recommend stamping directly on these surfaces. The main problem is not the adhesion of the ink, but the inability to stamp these surfaces without slipping.

## Purchasing & Using:

1. Purchase the grade of permanence that is right for you and your application.  
-As more permanent inks require more precaution, it is wise to choose to choose the grade and/or brand that is just permanent enough for the application intended.
2. Only use enough ink per sitting.  
-As many permanent inks will dry in the pad before their next use it is recommended to only ink the pad as much as needed per sitting.
3. Once pad is inked store in resealable plastic bag.  
-As mentioned above this is recommended to help decrease the ink loss due to its fast drying nature.
4. Overtime use reconditioner on pad or purchase new dry pad.  
-As the pad endures multiple inkings and/or time after first inking it will become hard and stop taking ink (Just like a sponge that has dried out). When this occurs you must use reconditioner, which may be part of a kit or sold separately, to rejuvenate the pad. This is done by applying a small amount of reconditioner to the hardened pad, letting it sit, and blotting of any extra reconditioner not completely absorbed by the pad. (Note: some find this to be undesirable, in which case a new dry pad may be the way to go.)

**Please see other handouts, including How To Use Your Rubber Stamp, for further information**