

CIP3 INK PRESETTING

AUTOMATED PRESS CONSOLE INK PRESETTING

The CIP3[®] Output Plug-in enables the Fusion Harlequin[®] RIP to produce Print Production Format (PPF) files containing information about print jobs, including administrative data, information about inks, and preview images. The PPF file is then read by a CIP3 reader (included with press control systems), which provides instructions for automatically setting ink fountains on press.

CIP3 file generation through the Fusion RIP is just as easy and automatic as generating the plates and films themselves. Integrating these CIP3 files into your press can bring you to color far faster, while reducing makeready time, waste and the need for plate scanners.

PPF: PRINT PRODUCTION FORMAT

PPF is the file format specification developed by the original CIP3/4 consortium. PPF files may contain any or all of the following items relating to the front and/or back of fully imposed press sheets:

- Inking data for the press, allowing automatic setting of ink fountains on press. *
- Plate size and mounting position in relation to the press. *
- Separations required for the job. *
- Positions and colors of color test strips, allowing automatic setting of closed loop adjustments on press.
- Positions of registration marks, allowing automatic setting of registration test meters on press.
- Positions of fold and cut marks, allowing at least preliminary setup of post-press operations to be handled automatically.

CIP3® & CIP4™ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The term CIP3 stands for the International Cooperation for Integration of Processes in Prepress, Press and Post-press.

CIP3 is an international standards body whose purpose is to encourage computer-based integration of all processes involved in graphic arts workflows by specifying and publishing standards.

CIP4 is the successor to CIP3, which started in 1995 as a joint initiative of vendors for the graphic arts industry.

The current focus of the association is on the development and adoption of the JDF (Job Definition Format) Specification, which incorporates the existing PPF format.



^{*} Included in Fusion CIP3 Plug-in PPF file

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SPECIFICATIONS

RIP VERSION Fusion OSX/macOS ServerPLUS RIP or Windows MultiRIP Releases.

Fusion CIP-Kits include a Fusion RIP and the CIP3 PPF Driver

CIP3 Specification Supported CIP3 version 2.0 specification (can be read by all consuming

applications), CIP3 Specification version 2.1 and version 3.0

Preview Images 8-bits per pixel

Separated or unseparated

Spot colors supported for separated output files User-selectable preview resolution (including 50.8dpi, recommended in PPF specification)

COMPRESSION Uncompressed, Run Length Encoded (RLE) compressed files

ENCODING Binary (raw), Hexadecimal, and ASCII 85

Press-Sheet Work Styles Single-sided sheets

Double-sided sheets:

Sheetwise, Work & Turn, Work & Tumble, Perfecting Sheetwise, Perfecting Work & Turn, Perfecting Work & Tumble, Double Sided Web

OTHER USER CONTROLS

Configurable sheet and job name fields

Configurable transforms and extents Single separation per PPF file if required

Negative output

Supported CIP3 readers Akiyama Printing Presses, Eltromat Presses, GMI Presses, GOSS

Presses, Graphics Microsystems, Inc. CIP3 reader, Heidelberg Presses, KBA Presses, Komori Presses, MAN Roland Presses, Mitsubishi Presses, Planeta Presses, Ryboi Presses, Sakurai

Presses, Screen Presses, Shinohara Presses, TKS Color Top Presses

There are other readers compatible with Harlequin-generated CIP3 PPF files. This is a general compatibility list. Additional press specific information is available at www.fusionsystems.com

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