

INK-MARKING OF STEEL SHEETS

The automated Sidastico ink-marking system allows to print semi-permanently on the upper face of the steel plates a large number of characters.

The standard ink-marking applied by Sidastico close to one edge of each plate for identification and traceability purposes generally includes the following information (the list is merely indicative and not binding for Sidastico):

- *Sidastico Logo And Name*
- *Grade Of The Steel*
- *Heat Number*, which is the producer's unique identification code of the coil and which allows to trace back each single plate to the inspection certificate of the mill (EN10204-3.1 / 2.2 etc.)



These standard indications, generally printed in black, can be supplemented or replaced by other info on request, such as: the name and the product code of the buyer, the dimensions of the plates, the identification number of the buyer's purchase order etc. The number of characters which can be ink-printed on the upper surface of the plates depends solely on the length of the plate itself. The string of characters is printed in continuous during the levelling process, therefore the printed string can appear several times in the same plate. Some custom printing may imply additional costs; please check upfront with your Sidastico Sales Manager for details.

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

- 1) the request for special marking or for total absence of marking of the plates must be clearly written in each purchase order of the client: the lack of such express request discharges Sidastico of any responsibility;
- 2) any request for special marking must be placed at the time of the enquiry, as Sidastico cannot guarantee that any marking customisation requested afterwards will be feasible;
- 3) The ink used by Sidastico for printing the steel sheets can be removed with standard paint solvents and it should not interfere with the physical characteristics of the materials. Still, Sidastico takes no responsibility for any traces that the printing removal might leave on the surface and that may affect further painting or coating downstream processes of the sheets, like powder coating, cataphoresis and alikes. If any special painting/coating process is scheduled for the materials, the client should expressly request in each single order to Sidastico to refrain from any ink-marking of the plates.

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