



## SMARTFLEX WASHOUT NF

### Product Use Guide

#### HOW IT WORKS

**SMARTFLEX Washout NF** is a virgin solvent product intended for use in an automatic flexo plate cleaning unit. It works in sync with automatic scrubber heads to wash away unwanted polymer from the surface of the plate, leaving the image area clean. **SMARTFLEX Washout NF** is designed to be effective with only 5 minutes of use in the cleaning unit, making it an efficient solution.

While repeated distillation is not recommended **SMARTFLEX Washout NF** has the ability to be distilled via a distillation unit, for repeated usage and overall cost savings.

#### PROCEDURE

1. Fill the Plate Processor unit's washout tank with the Washout NF – the product comes ready-to-use and should not be diluted
2. Wait for the photopolymer plate(s) to become exposed and the image area to be completely visible. Typically this will take about 30 minutes. Exact time varies by OEM and machine, but should take between 15-45 minutes.
3. Once (2) is complete, place the plate(s) image-side down in the washout section of the processor.
4. Set the timer on the unit for 5 minutes, and allow the machine to work.
5. Remove the plate(s) from the unit, inspecting for any polymer that hasn't been washed away.
6. Place the newly washed plate(s) into the drying unit.
7. Dry the plates for between 5 and 10 minutes. Drying time will vary by machine, defer to OEM instructions.

#### PRO-TIPS

- Do not dilute **SMARTFLEX Washout NF** when filling the plate processing unit's washout tank.
- Always defer to the instructions provided by the cleaning unit OEM and the plate manufacturer.
- Ideal temperature for **SMARTFLEX Washout NF** cleaning is 73°F, solution works best between 70°F and 75°F.

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