

FACT SHEET – KODAK SONORA Ultra Process Free Plates

KODAK SONORA Ultra Process Free Plates are the pinnacle of process free technology, reflecting Kodak's continuing commitment to innovation and performance. More than just a new plate, SONORA Ultra delivers unprecedented advancements in image contrast, white light exposure tolerance and plate stability, with all the environmental benefits that come along with removing processing chemistry. SONORA Ultra Plates are an extension to Kodak's portfolio of process free plates, joining the award-winning SONORA XTRA Plates.

Key features

- Kodak is the leader in process free plates with over 6,000 customers worldwide
- The new SONORA Ultra Process Free Plates deliver up to 9x stronger image contrast than competitive process free plates, and 1.5x stronger than our industry-leading SONORA XTRA
- Up to 5x better white light handling tolerance over competitive process free plates
- Plates can be imaged up to 6 weeks in advance without compromising quality, when stored in the dark
- Kodak's 6th generation process free plate demonstrates our commitment to innovation for advancements in print quality, efficiency and sustainability

Customer benefits

- Visual readability comparable to traditional processed plate for greater pressroom acceptance
- Increase pressroom flexibility and productivity by imaging plates in advance, without compromising readability, for up to 6 weeks when stored in the dark
- Improved automation through compatibility with most plate reading systems
- Eliminate processor defects, reduce environmental impact, and enjoy a more efficient and profitable operation with all the benefits synonymous with SONORA

Customer quotes

"Even after a month, the new SONORA Ultra Plate still had very good contrast, almost as if it had just been imaged. We also observed a higher print run stability."

Michael C. Töll, Member of the Board, BLUEPRINT AG, Munich, Germany

"The new SONORA Ultra Plate has excellent contrast and can still be read days later by the Plate Ident system of our Koenig & Bauer press. We did not notice any reduction of run length stability compared to the wet processed plate used."

Michael Wrobel, Management and Sales, Westermann Druck Zwickau GmbH, Zwickau, Germany

Availability

KODAK SONORA Ultra Process Free Plates will be available in Europe, Q4 2024 and U.S. and Canada in 2025. Availability in other regions to be confirmed.

For more information visit Kodak.com/go/SONORA

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