



## INNOVATIVE PLASTICS INCORPORATED\*

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### IPI Material Storage and Handling Recommendations

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To yield optimal results using IPI materials, the following storage and handling recommendations are encouraged.

- Engraving sheets should be stored at ambient room temperature with relative humidity between 35–50 percent whenever possible. Although sheet materials will be engravable at temperatures ranging from 32-120° F, some physical properties can change over time. When stored several years in extreme temperatures and variable humidity levels, the material can become brittle and more difficult to fabricate.
  - Consumers storing materials for long periods of time should be aware that the protective masking can in some instances become difficult to remove. It is recommended that the consumer physically remove as much of the mask as possible before applying solvents to break down old masking.
  - Store materials flat (horizontally) in stacks no greater than 500 sheets. Sheets stored upright (vertically) and unsupported may "take a set" and warp over time. Mild warming of the material may help to remove any minor warp.
  - Avoid storing materials in direct sunlight. All plastic materials will fade to some degree over time. Materials with UV protection may exhibit fading over extended periods of time and light colors or clear material can yellow or discolor.
  - Materials with protective coatings are not impervious to scratches or oxidation. The coatings serve only to provide resistance to minor abrasions and slow down the oxidation process.
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