

**THE SPINJET 1000 FROM TECHSAGE
– A PROVEN SUCCESS!**

At Drupa 2000 the unique double-sided proofing system called the SpinJet 1000 was launched. Since then sales has continued to go up for TechSage. With more than 500 installations worldwide the SpinJet 1000 has proven itself to be a reliable and easy to use proofing device.

Since the first shipments the SpinJet 1000 system has continuously been improved, making it the leading solution on the marked today.

The Product

The SpinJet 1000 is designed to be mounted on a Hewlett-Packard DesignJet 1050C or 1055CM large format inkjet printer, enabling users to produce double-sided, eight-up full-color imposition proofs at the maximum speed of the printer. The TechSage system is totally automatic and takes advantage of the DesignJet's advanced paper handling system. During operation, the first side of the SpinProof is printed from the roll and cut automatically by the printer. The SpinJet unit then reloads the printed cut sheet into the DesignJet, which prints the reverse side.

Matching the release of Hewlett-Packards new version of the DesignJet 1000-series printers *DesignJet 1050c plus* and *DesignJet 1055cm plus*, TechSage has released a *SpinJet 1000 plus* version fitting these printers.

The Interface

The SpinJet 1000 system interfaces to most systems on the marked today. Any system, which can produce a TIFF (300 or 600 dpi) or an RTL file, can use the SpinJet 1000. To bring the workflow and the proofing system together, the interface called SpinFlow has been developed by Troika Systems Ltd., UK.

Key features of the software include:

- Set-ups for Work & Turn, Work & Tumble, single-sided and sheet work
- Auto centering – advanced setting options
- Multiple input methods
- Ability to print/reprint with tag-line
- Ink reduction
- Autorotation for paper saving (Best fit / Auto fit)
- Graphic alignment support lines
- Shrink compensation (Master Length adjustment feature)
- Ability to retain n-jobs for reprint

SpinProofing – the missing link

"The market response to the SpinJet 1000 has been outstanding. It has become a "need-to-have" for all CtF and, in particular, CtP based production" says TechSage director Erik Kasper. This has indeed proven to be true judging by the current SpinJet 1000 users. The speed of the system ensures fast output of imposition proofs – SpinProofs – enabling error detection at an early stage in the production process.

William Campbell, Computer Prepress Manager from Revere Graphics (USA) tells us:

"After using the SpinJet unit for over a month now, I can say we are very happy with the choice. The speed is 2-3 times faster, not to mention the fact that the production is continuous, since the machine is never waiting for an operator to return and flip the sheet. That aspect of other duplex proofing solutions alone can cut the production potential in half quickly. With the SpinJet, proof after proof are produced and dropped into the basket, ready to fold, with no operator present. The bottleneck now is the workflow itself, it appears the SpinJet can keep up with whatever we throw at it."



Pre Press Manager at Taylor Bloxham Ltd. (UK) Steve Simmons has the following comment about the SpinJet 1000: "Prior to acquiring the SpinJet 1000 we made single-sided Proofs only. Our client services generally make up folded house proofs using spray mount adhesive to stick two single sided sheets together. The SpinJet sheets need only be folded and trimmed. This has saved our client service staff time, and reduced the health hazard of using spray mount adhesive." he says.

New Media

In March 2001 TechSage entered into a new worldwide strategic alliance with DuPont Color Proofing for the use of DuPont's double-sided Dylux® Digital imposition proofing media on the SpinJet 1000.

Craig Reid, digital proofing business manager from DuPont Color Proofing says, "DuPont has been the market leader in imposition proofing ever since DuPont invented the Dylux® blueline over 30 years ago. As the industry moves to more digital proofing, we are committed to the ongoing development of technology and alliances such as this one with Techsage that allow us to bring the best possible solutions to our customers."

Dylux® Digital media for the SpinJet 1000 is a high quality specially coated paper that offers bleed control, sharp line resolution, fast drying and curl resistance. Dylux® Digital media will ship with every new SpinJet 1000. Both the Dylux® Digital media and the SpinJet 1000 are available from selected distributors and dealers worldwide.

Since its introduction, the SpinJet 1000 has established itself as the worldwide market leader in automated double-sided imposition devices, and today it is distributed in the US by:

- Tekgraf (www.tekgraf.com), who distributes the product through a wide range of market leading dealers such as Pitman, Prime Source and London Litho.
- Purup-Eskofot, who distributes through XPDEX
- Heidelberg USA, who sells the product through their prepress sales force.

You can see the SpinJet 1000 system on numerous locations throughout the Print 2001 exhibition in Chicago this fall.

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