# **Options for**

# **Pre-Treatment**

Many print surfaces benefit from pre-treatment to enable proper ink adhesion. Several pre-treatment options are available.

## **Stand-alone or Conveyor Flamers**

#### Stand-alone Unit

- Fully adjustable to accommodate small to medium sized parts
- ► Flamer nozzle stroke is 14"
- Adjustable fuel/air mix
- Can be adapted for in-line process
- Multiple burner sizes
- Can be programmed within print cycle



▲ Flamer can be mounted on the printer or stand-alone

#### **Conveyor Unit**

- Designed for medium to larger parts
- Adjustable guides
- Adjustable flame control
- Can be configured with a 360° rotational device
- Easily adapted to an existing automated system
- Can incorporate Pick-n-Place devices for on- and off-loading



Custom 360° flamer for safety helmets.

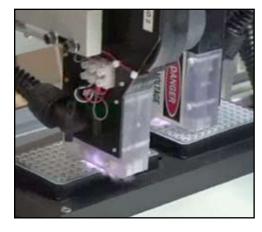


▲ Conveyor Flame Unit

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#### **Corona Unit**

Corona treatment involves high speed oxidation. The energy of the corona breaks the molecular bonds on the surface of the non-polar substrate. The broken bonds then recombine with the free radicals in the corona environment to form additional polar groups on the surface.

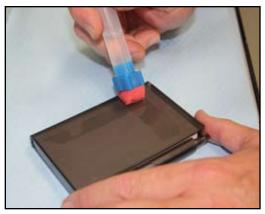


 In-line corona unit passes over products, fixtures are mounted on a rotary table.

### **Primer Wipe - PW3**

This primer wipe can be applied directly to difficult-toprint surfaces prior to printing to promote better ink adhesion. Typically applied via a cloth or sponge applicator,

**PW3** is often used as an alternative to flaming or corona/ plasma pre-treatments. Dries quickly after contact.



Applying primer wipe -PW3

### **Product Testing**

Not sure if pre-treatment is beneficial? Unsure which method is best for your specific application?

Consult our Technical Services team, we can conduct a surface energy measurement and pre-treatment testing to determine your best options.



Ink passing tape test for adhesion quality



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