



Technical Bulletin: #

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Date:

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Subject:

Pantone Color Books

Pantone Color Guides Variances

The Problem:

- Within the past year, Pantone has changed the paper stock for their Pantone Color Guides. The newer stock paper is more blue-white and causes variation in certain Pantone Color Chips versus older Pantone books.
- *This is presenting a major problem with anyone using color formulations that were matched prior to 2005.*
- *Formulations in the Rutland M2000 Software and from the 05/05/2005 update from the web site were all matched to Pantone Books prior to the changing of the stock paper.*
- We find that formulas in the Grey, Tan, pastels, and many other areas are not matching to the new Pantone Books; however, they do still match to the older books that were current at the time the formulas were created.
- We are re-matching colors as we find variances and will make the formulas available from our Applications Lab.

The Solution:

- If a color is found to vary from the chip in the new Pantone Books (Books since summer of 2005), call the Technical Service Hotline below to get the new formula.
- The other option is to check the color against an older Pantone Book depending on which book your customer may be using to approve the color sample.

Technical Service Hotline: 800.438.5134. Ext 151 & 152