

# GUIDE

## LIQUID OR LASER CLEANING?

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Which is the best method to clean aniloxes?

# TWO TYPES OF CLEANING...

This guide focus on **two different ways** of cleaning your delicate and expensive aniloxes:

Cleaning with liquid  
& high-pressure water

Cleaning with  
laser

Both give a perfect cleaning result and will reduce your downtime and expenses from printing with dirty aniloxes. But which method is the best for you and your needs?

In the following pages you will find the questions you as a printer need to ask yourself when considering the best cleaning method for your business.

The guide will help you answer

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## PROS

- ⦿ Daily deep cleaning possible
- ⦿ No wear and tear on aniloxes
- ⦿ Easy to operate
- ⦿ Low startup investment

## LIQUID CLEANING

## CONS

- ⦿ Ongoing consumables cost
- ⦿ Waste and liquid handling
- ⦿ Difficulties with 2K inks

# LIQUID VS. LASER ANILOX CLEANING

## PROS

- ⦿ Easy to operate
- ⦿ Minimal maintenance
- ⦿ Effective on difficult coatings, adhesives and 2K inks

## LASER CLEANING

## CONS

- ⦿ Larger start-up investment
- ⦿ Risk of changing cell structure

# WHAT TO CONSIDER?

How do you choose between the two solutions?

You need to consider which solution makes sense to you by asking yourself **a few questions:**

How many aniloxes do I need to clean per cycle?

Where would I like to place the anilox cleaner?

What connections do I have available?

Are there any corporate policies or concerns regarding waste stream?

Do I use very difficult to clean inks or coatings?



Use the  
**checkboxes**  
on the next page to high-  
light the qualities which  
applies for  
**your**  
printing business

# CHOOSE YOUR MOST IMPORTANT QUALITIES

## LIQUID CLEANING

- ☐ Multiple changeovers per day
- ☐ Need for daily deep cleaning
- ☐ Cleaning of multiple aniloxes in 10-20 minutes
- ☐ Lower upfront capital expense

## LASER CLEANING

- ☐ Anilox in press longer with fewer changeovers
- ☐ Concerns with difficult inks, adhesives or coatings
- ☐ Location flexibility  
- no easy access to utility connections and drainage
- ☐ Corporate focus on waste free cleaning
- ☐ Desire to eliminate ongoing consumables cost
- ☐ Recirculating

**CLEAN  
IS CLEAN**  
YOU DECIDE HOW!

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