

Block Printing FAQ

Q: I'm having a problem with the Water Based ink drying too fast and/or not rolling out onto my lino block. Would Temperature affect this?

A: *The very low humidity indoors, on very cold days, may cause this difficulty. Try using a couple of humidifiers in the print vicinity adding our Ink Retarder (#3448 37cc tube) to slow the drying time of the ink.*

Q: Do the water soluble Block Printing ink contain any latex or emulsions? I have a child who is allergic to Latex?

A: *No, the ink does not contain any latex or emulsions. The vehicle consists of a vegetable derivative and water soluble gums.*

Q: My oil block printing ink became very gummy on the plate and is pulling off in weird patches. What caused this and what can I do to prevent it from happening again?

A: *This is a result of the ink drying too fast. We suggest mixing the ink with #3448 Retarder to avoid fast drying.*