

# **VULCAN** PRIME

USER MANUAL







# **Foreword**

This user manual is briefly describing the operational aspects of the **Vulcan Prime** machine. In this document, the step-wise instructions for handling various aspects of the machine with visual screens are provided for easy and better understanding. It also describes the error messages encountered while working with the machine with appropriate remedial actions required to be taken by the user.

This manual serves as the reference tool which guides their customers how to use or operate the **Vulcan Prime** machine without anyone else assistance. The information provided in this document ensures its uniqueness and language quality. For safe and proper use of the product, please read this manual carefully and follow all the instructions.

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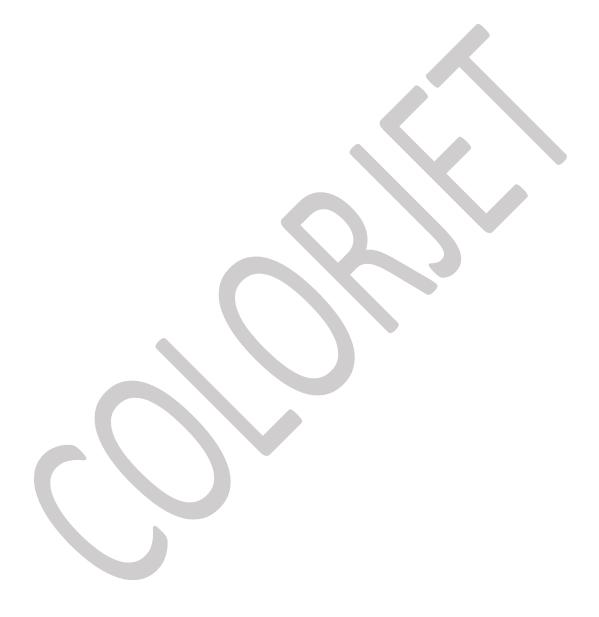


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# 1. About Document

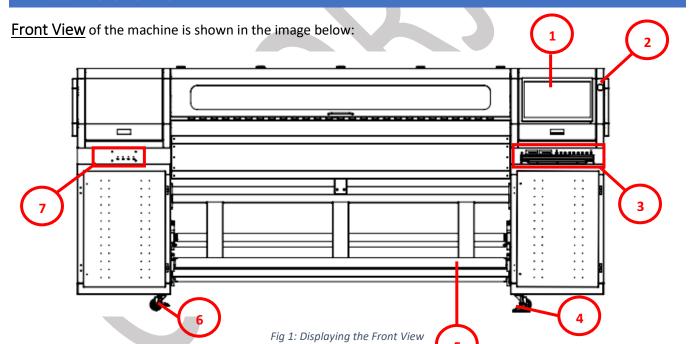
#### Purpose

The purpose of this document is to guide and educate the targeted audience about the Printer and its Print Control Center software so that they can easily and effectively handle as well as use it as per their requirements. Additionally, this document also provides step-wise instructions for handling various aspects of the printer and its related software with the help of graphical screens for easy and better understanding. Moreover, the document also describes commonly encountered problems while working with the printer and Print Control Center software with appropriate remedial actions.

#### Intended Audience

This document is meant for all the users who want to use the Printer for their printing business. Sometimes, the targeted audience has little knowledge about the printer but in most of the cases, targeted audience is much familiar with the terminologies of printer and printing business. Thus, this document is designed to facilitate both types of users.

# 2. Machine Overview

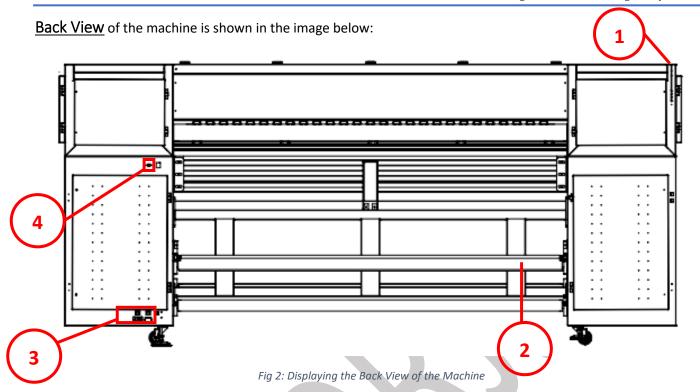


- 1. Console (TFT Screen)
- 3. Control Panel
- 5. Take-up Roller
- 7. Ink Refilling Switch
- 2. Emergency Button
- 4. Wheel
- 6. Leveller

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- 1. Media Lever
- 3. Machine Power Inlet Switch
- 2. Supply Roller
- 4. USB Port

**Control Panel** of the machine is shown as follow:



Fig 3: Displaying the Control Panel of the Machine

**Head Power:** Switch ON/OFF print head power.

**Heater:** Not applicable for this machine.

#### Media Take Up

- **A. Auto/Manual:** Enable to set the Media Take Up controlling modes viz. Auto or Manual.
- **B. Rev/Fwd**: Control the power and direction of the Take Up motor.

#### **Media Supply**

- **A. Auto/Manual:** Enable to set the Media Supply controlling modes viz. Auto or Manual.
- **B. Rev/Fwd**: Control the power and direction of the Supply motor.

**Bed Vacuum Regulator:** Turn ON/OFF the bed vacuum.

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# <u>USB Port</u> of the machine is shown in the image below:

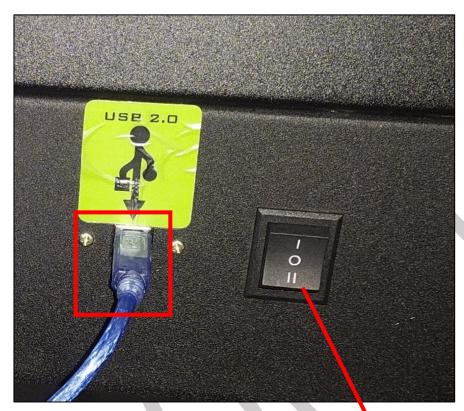


Fig 4: Displaying the USB Port

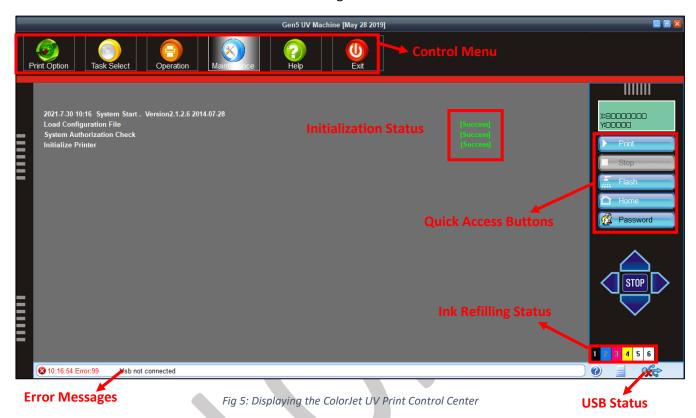
REV/FWD Button: Manually Switch
Supply Roller Direction





# 3. Getting Familiar with Print Control Center Interface

The **Print Control Center** interface is shown in the image below:



#### **Print Control Center has the following Options**

**Control Menu:** Consist of several menu or sub menu options viz. Print Option, Task Select, Operation, Maintenance, Help and also provide variety of functions in well organize manner.

**Error Messages:** Displays the system generated error messages

**Quick Access Buttons:** Display frequently performed actions like Print, Stop, Flash, Home, User Password, Lift Control and more.

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## **Arrow Key Controls**

#### **Description of Arrow Keys**

**A. Left:** Move the carriage in the left direction.

**B. Right:** Move the carriage in the right direction.

**C. FWD:** Move the media in the upward direction.

**D. REV:** Move the media in the downward direction.

**Note:** When user press the arrow key, the movement of carriage/media starts. To stop the movement, user must press the Stop button.



Fig 6: The Control Arrow Keys

**Note:** Carriage/Media can move by pressing the **CTRL + Arrow** keys available on the keyboard.



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# 4. Getting Ready for Printing

# **Switch ON Procedure**

Follow these steps to switch ON the printer:

**Step 1:** Check and maintain the room temperature for smooth printing operations.

Step 2: Check Ink Level.

Step 3: Check Waste Ink Bottle.

**Step 4:** Release the **Emergency** button, if pressed.

**Step 5:** Turn **ON** the Main Power switch located on the bottom left side from the back of the machine, as shown below:



Fig 7: Turning ON the Main Power Switch

**Step 6:** Check water level in the Chiller Unit and fill it, if required:



Fig 8: Filling RO Water

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#### Step 7: Switch ON the Chiller unit, as shown below:



Fig 9: Switch ON UV Lamps

## **Step 8:** Open the ink valves.

User needs to maintain the head negative air pressure between -2.5 to -3.0. If the negative pressure is slightly being high or low, adjust it using the regulator knob.

The Negative Air Pressure display is shown in the image below:

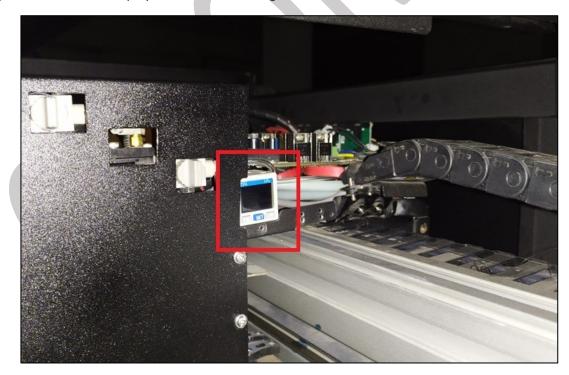
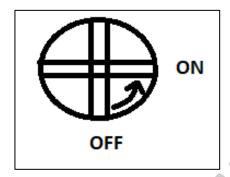


Fig 10: Displaying the Negative Pressure

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Switch ON/OFF the ink valve is shown in the image below:



**Step 9:** Load the media on the Print Bed.

**Step 10:** To initialize the machine, first open the Print Control Center and get it ready for use. Now, the machine starts initializing automatically.

**Step 11:** Press the Purging button.

**Step 12:** Perform Nozzle test.

Now, printer is ready for printing.

# Loading Media

Follow these steps to load media:

**Step 1**: Push back the Media Lever, as shown below:



Fig 11: Lifting Up the Media Lever

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- Step 2: Unwind the media roll to reach near the platen and hold it.
- **Step 3**: Insert the taken-out media between the platform and the pinch roller.
- **Step 4:** Pull the media out in front of the machine.
- Step 5: Holding the media firmly and push down the Media Lever.
- **Step 6**: Install the media clamps from both ends.
- **Step 7**: Pull the enough media so that it reaches to the Take Up roller (or let the media down by issuing the Print command).
- **Step 8**: Paste the front edge of the media on the Core.
- Step 9: Move the media forward so that it rolls easily over the Core.

Now, the media gets loaded.

**Note**: Before issuing the Print command, verify the following things:

- Check the Waste Bottle and empty it, if required.
- Check the ink level in main tanks and refill it, if required.

The **Media Path** is shown in the image below:

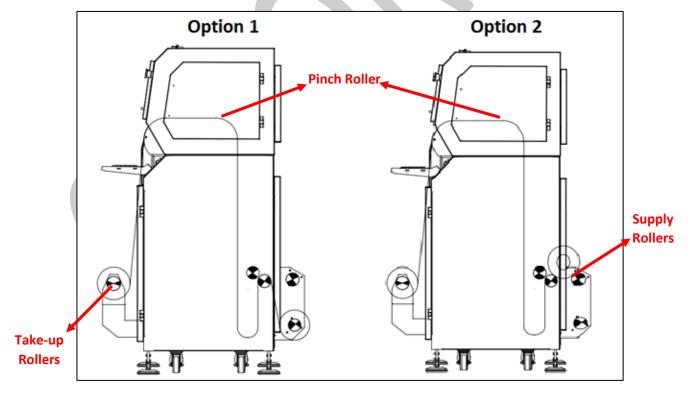


Fig 12: Displaying the Media Path

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## Refilling Ink

Please use the recommended ink in the printer for high printing quality as well as long life of print and print heads. To refill ink, open the right door from back of the printer and replace ink bottles, if empty. To refill ink, remove the Main Ink Tank cap and refill ink as per the color sticker. The main ink tanks are shown in the image below:



Fig 13: Displaying the Main Ink Tanks





# 5. Chiller Operating Instructions

Note: Please read all the operating instructions carefully before using and following it.

#### **Important Instructions**

- Please confirm that the input voltage is AC 220V and make sure no coolant leakage from joints of water pipes before starting the equipment.
- Please confirm the cooling system is ON before turn on the UV LED lamp. Please shut down the main power from the electrical board and then shut the cooling equipment after 3 minutes.
- Please confirm that the ambient temperature of the equipment shall be maximum 35°C.
- Please confirm that the dust proof net must be cleaned weekly.
- Please confirm that the distance between UV LED lamp and printer nozzle is suggested to be more than 5cm
- Better to use antifreeze coolant.

#### **Chiller Features**

- Mercury free, safer, more environmentally friendly and energy efficient.
- Adopting more integrated COB package and available for customization.
- The UV LED lamp can instantly start up and work without preheating and standby mode.
- Unique design of small size and simple structure makes easier installation.
- Recycling coolant and rapid heat dissipating COB ensures longer lifespan of the UV LED lamp source.
- Higher luminous efficiency, less power consumption, long lifespan.
- The UV LED lamp is suitable for many curing base materials, like the soft, rigid, absorbent and non-absorbent materials. Don't need to deal with the heat radiation of thermosensitive base material.
- The UV LED light source is narrow band, which only give out useful light and no harmful UV light. As a cold light source, the components have very low thermal radiation which cut much heat during curing process.

#### Operation Rules

- Connect the AC 220V 50Hz power cable, signal control cable, UV LED lamp power cable and cooling circulation water pipes. If the cooling equipment and power board are separate please connect them with signal cable.
- Add coolant to the required level. Anti-freezing coolant must be used in freezing region.
- Switch on the power supply to confirm the operation of the water pump, the water pipes aren't bent and no coolant leakage. After 3-5 minutes operation, the air will be out from the pipes because the length and reservoir volume of the water tank is enough. If not, please add the coolant again.
- Connect the signal cable (make sure the input voltage is within 3-24V). When the signal pass, the UV LED lamp is ON and when the signal stop the UV LED lamp is OFF.
- Adjustment the potentiometer to control the power of the UV LED lamp.

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#### **Parameter Settings**

Push the **Set** button for 5 seconds to read the parameter setting. Push the **+** - button to adjust the data, then push the **Set** button to confirm the adjustment.

Code	Setting Contents	Default
HC	Work Mode	Н
P7	Temperature Correction (°C)	0
CA	Start-Up Delay (Seconds)	0
HS	Upper Limit of Temperature (°C)	50
LS	Lower limit of Temperature (°C)	5
D	Return Difference (minutes)	5

Push the **Set** button to set the default to be 50.

- Winter Mode (Constant temperature mode, default is 26°C): The middle screen displays the current setting temperature that can be changed using the + button.
  - Water temperature (D1) = setting temperature (D2) + D values(C1)
  - The setting range is  $5-40^{\circ}$ C, the default is  $30^{\circ}$ C. In addition, the setting temperature can't exceed the range of C4 C5.
- Summer Mode (Intelligent Mode, Default: 1 °C): The middle screen displays the D-value of water temperature and indoor temperature, press the + button can change it. The setting range is (-5~+5°C).
  - Water temperature (D1) = Indoor temperature (D2)  $\pm$  D values (C1)
  - D1 will display upper limit (C5) and lower limit (C4) value if room temperature is too high or too low to beyond the upper or lower limit. For example: D2= $1^{\circ}$ C, indoor temperature is 25  $^{\circ}$ C, so D1= $26^{\circ}$ C+C1, as C1= $1.5^{\circ}$ C in default. So, the water temperature D1 should control in 24.5  $^{\sim}$  27.5 $^{\circ}$ C.

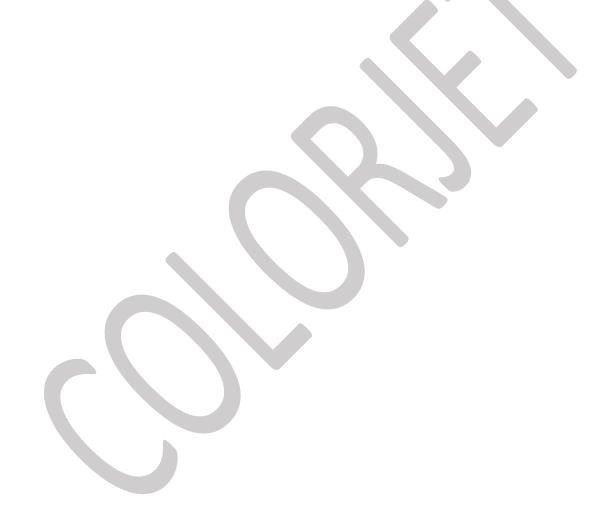
#### Other Instances

- Whether in winter mode or summer mode, the chiller will stop refrigeration when the water temperature lower than C4-0.5 °C and will return to normal control when the water temperature higher than C4 + 0.5 °C.
- The heating wire start to work when the water temperature lower than C6 0.5  $^{\circ}C$  and will stop work when the water temperature higher than C6 + 0.5  $^{\circ}C$ .
- Press the **Set** button to enter the setting mode, no operation for more than 10 seconds and press the **Set** button again to exit the setting state.
  - o Press the **Set** button for 4s to restore the factory setting in the setting mode.
  - Press the switch to change the setting item, press the + button to modify the parameter value of the item.
  - o D1 will show the item code, D2 show the parameter value and the D3 shows value remains same.

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# **Chiller Code Instructions**

Code	Content	Default	Instruction
C0	Alarm-d-value	15 °C	
C1	D-values	1.5 °C	The d-value between actual and target water temp
C2	Condenser Temp	60 °C	
C3	Water shortage alarm delay	<b>1</b> s	
C4	Low Water Temp Limit	20 °C	
C5	High Water Temp Limit	31 °C	
C6	Heating Wire Start Temp	2 °C	This value must be at least 2 °C lower than the C4
C7	High Indoor Temp Limit	48 °C	



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# 6. Print Control Center Operations

#### **Print Option Menu**

On-clicking the Print Option button, the following image appears on the screen:

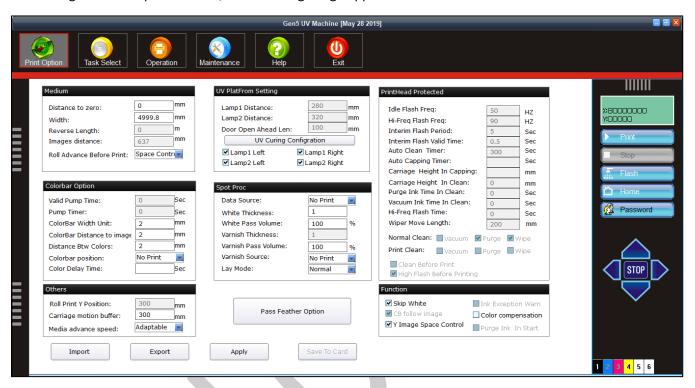


Fig 14: Displaying the Print Option Screen

The description of the Print Option screen is given as below:

**UV Lamp Settings:** Allow to enable or disable UV lamps like Lamp1 Left Work, Lamp1 Right Work, and similarly for Lamp 2.

**Colorbar Option:** Enable users to define the colorbar width, distance from image, distance between colors and colobar position.

White Color Settings: Using the above screen, user can make white color settings like Full, RIP Color and more).

Pass Feather Settings: Set feather mode (Even, Shade, and User) and feather level (Small, Normal and Large).

**Miscellaneous Functions:** User can also perform the following functions:

- Skip White
- Color Compensation
- Y Image Space Control

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#### White Settings

The White Color Settings are explained as below:

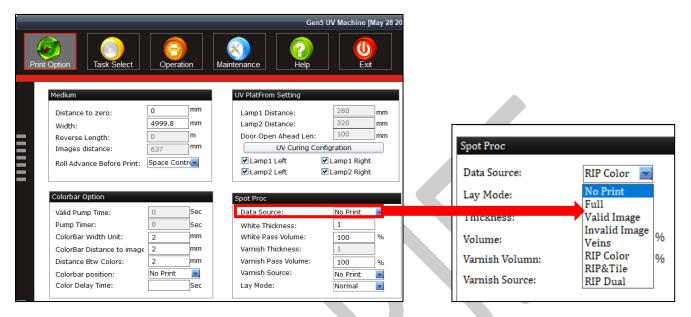


Fig 15: Displaying the White Color Settings

Description of different options for the **White Color** printing:

**No Print:** No white color is printed.

Full: White will be printed completely all over the

mage.

**Valid Image:** White color is printed same as the percentage of CMYK color in the selected image.

**Invalid Image:** White color is printed where CMYK

color is not present in the selected image.

**RIP Color:** White color is printed as per the RIP file.

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#### Layer Mode

Layer mode defines the sequence and depth of printing with respect to color print heads and white. You can create various layer modes as per the requirements. To increase the depth of ink layer, select the desire option from the available list. For example, if the layer mode **W+C** is selected. This means, the first layer of white is printed and then color.

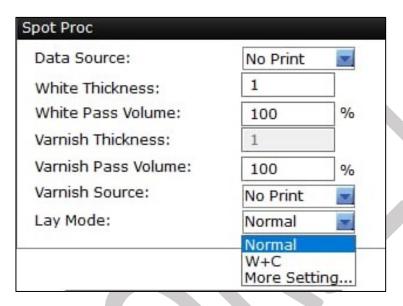


Fig 16: Layer Mode and Its Related Options

**Note**: The layer mode is used when the white print head is in-line with colors. When we select the Lay Mode, the printing speed gets slow.





#### **Printer Setting**

Using this section, user can import and export existing printer settings and save the settings in the main board.

#### Importing File

This option enables to import an existing printer setting (in the .cbk file format) and apply these settings to the current printing jobs.

Follow these steps to import file:

**Step 1:** Click on the **Import** button to import a file (Refer to Fig 14).

The **Open** dialog box appears on the screen, as shown below:

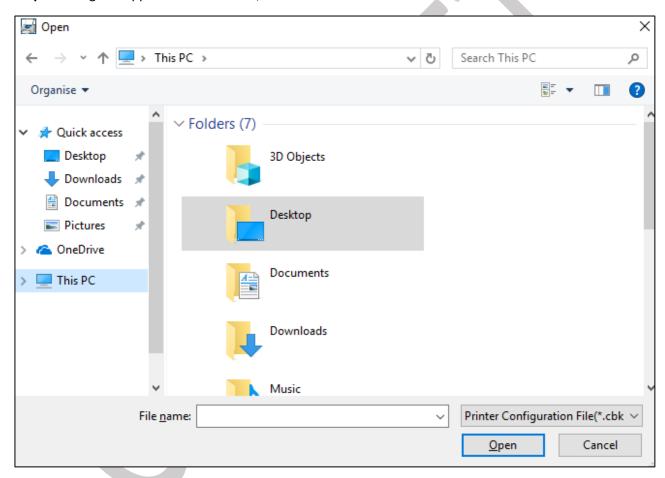


Fig 17: Displaying the Open Dialog Box

- **Step 2:** Select the file path which user wants to import.
- Step 3: After selecting the file path, click on the Open button to import the selected file.

The process of importing print settings gets started. After importing settings, click on the **Apply** button.

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#### Exporting File

This option enables to save the current printer settings (in the .cbk file format) which can be used in future.

After clicking on the **Export** button, the following screen appears:

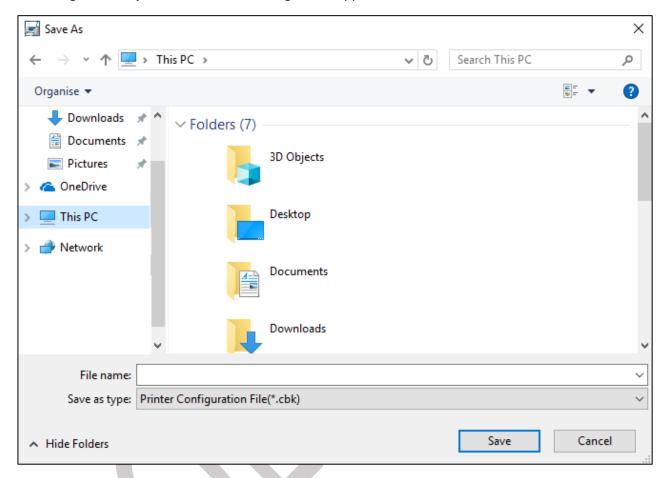


Fig 18: Exporting the Current Print Settings

After selecting the file path, click on the **Save** button to save the file.

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## Task Select Menu

The **Task Select** button is shown in the image below:

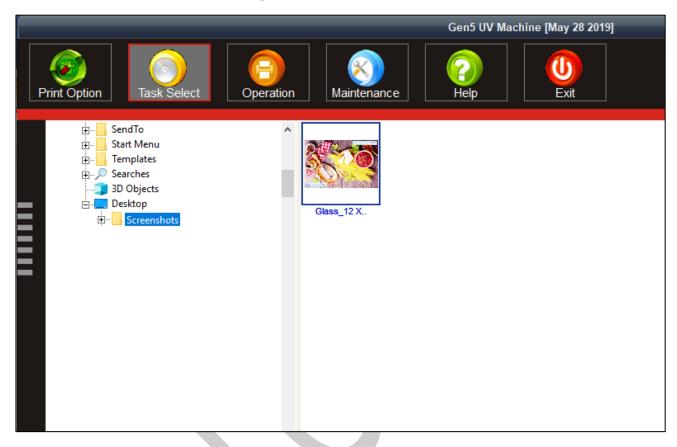


Fig 19: Displaying the Task Select Screen

Follow these steps to open and print a file:

**Step 1:** After opening the **Task Select** screen, navigate to the location where the printable file is stored (Refer to Fig. 19).

Step 2: Double-click on the image icon.

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The **Properties** dialog box appears, as shown below:

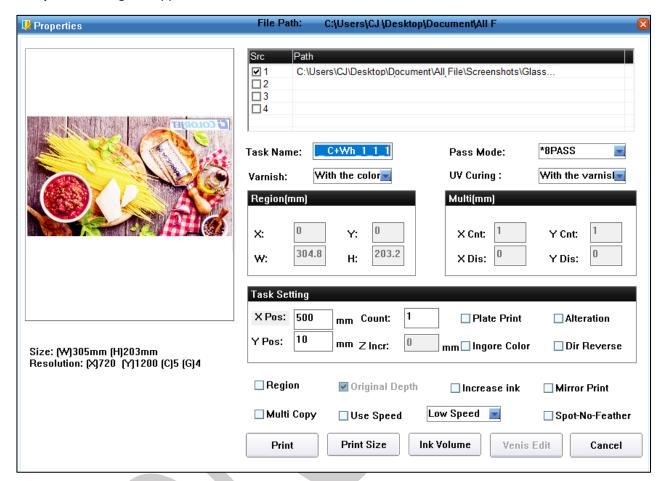


Fig 20: Displaying the Properties Dialog Box

Description of different options in the Properties dialog box:

**Region:** Enables to print the selected area of the image. When user select the Region check box, the Region(mm) section gets high-lighted where user needs to specify the X axis, Y axis, height, and Width of the area to print.

**Multicopy**: Allows user to print multiple copies of the same image. When user select the Multi Copy check box, the Multi (mm) section gets activated where user has to specify total count of images in X axis and Y axis as well as horizontal and vertical distance between images.

**Increase Ink:** Enables to raise the ink volume or increase ink depth for higher passes.

**Dir Reverse:** Enable to print in reverse direction. **Mirror Print:** Enables or disables X mirror print.

**Spot-No-Feather**: Enable this option when user doesn't require feather effect for white.

**Use Speed:** Helps to select the printing speed.

**Step 3:** Click on the **Print** button to print the selected file. Additionally, user can also make change as per the requirements.

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# **DPI** and Passes

Vulcan Prime DPI and passes are given as below:

Mode	DPI	Passes
Mode 1	360x900	3
Mode 2	720x600	4
Mode 3	720x900	6
Mode 4	720x1200	8
Mode 5	720x1800	12
Mode 6	720x2400	16

## Checking the Image Ink Color Volume

Click on the **Ink Volume** button on the **Properties** dialog box (Refer to Fig 20) to check the requirement of each color ink to print the selected image. The **Image Color Ink Volume** screen appears as shown below:

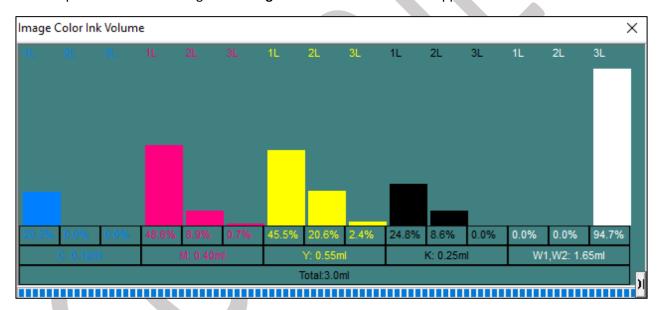


Fig 21: Displaying the Image Color Ink Volume Screen

In the above image, user can easily estimate the ink requirements for the selected image.

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## **Operation Menu**

The **Operation Menu** screen is shown in the image below:

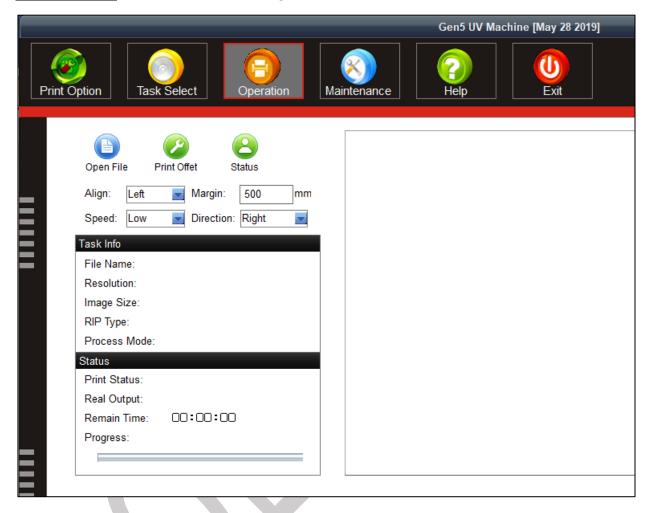


Fig 22: Displaying the Operation Menu

List of options related to the **Operation** menu:

- Open File: Open image file for printing.
- **Print Position:** Set print settings like speed, print direction, X origin, and Y origin.
- Status: Issue test print command.

Let's discuss each option one by one in upcoming section.

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#### Opening an Image File

Follow these steps to open an image file:

**Step 1:** Click on the **Open File** icon on the **Operation** screen (Refer to Fig 22). The **Open** dialog box appears on the screen, as shown below:

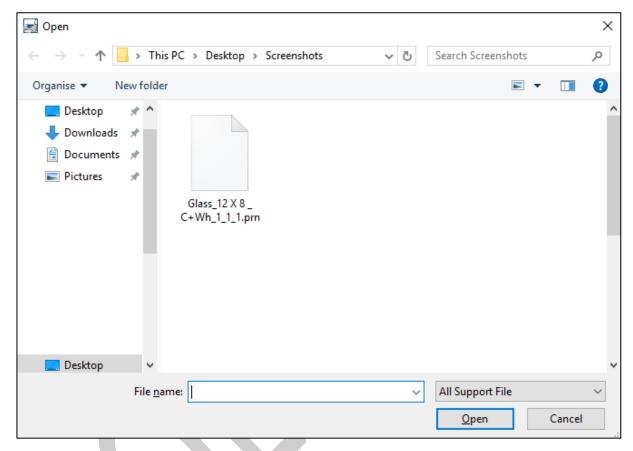


Fig 23: Displaying the Open Dialog Box

**Step 2:** Select the file by navigating the file location.

**Step 3:** After selecting the file, click on the **Open** button (Refer to Fig 23). The **Properties** dialog box appears with printing options of the selected image file.

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**Step 4:** Click the **OK** button to add the image file in the printing queue (job list area), as shown in the image below:

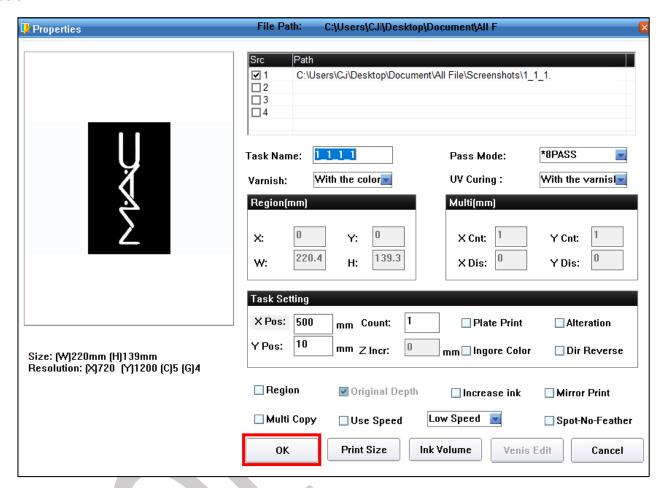


Fig 24: Creating Printing Queue

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After clicking the **OK** button, the file is shown in the job list area, as shown in the image below:

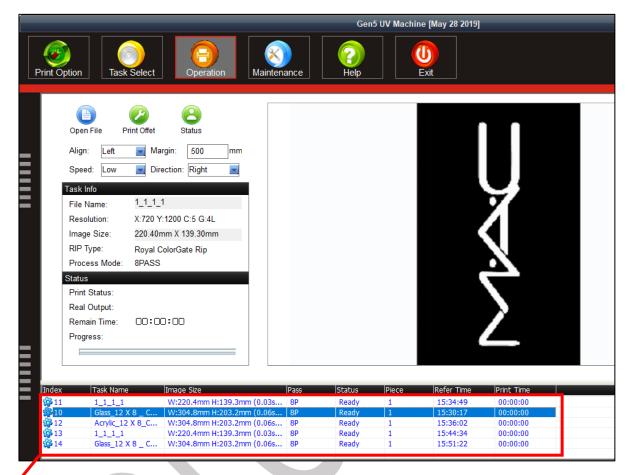


Fig 25: Displaying the Printing Queue

Job List Area

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#### **Print Position**

Print position option enables users to set the printing speed, print direction, X origin and Y origin, as shown below:

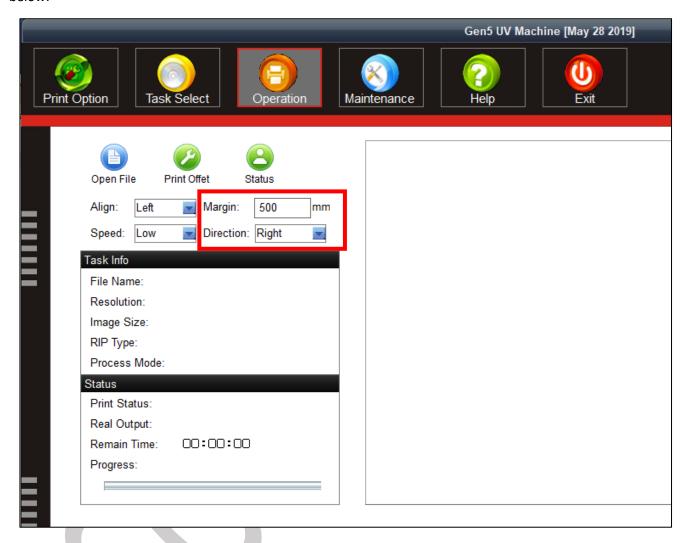


Fig 26: Setting the Print Position

Note: This option enables user to define printing direction like right only, left only, and bi-direction.

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#### **Checking Printing Status**

Before giving the nozzle test, user needs to provide the printing parameters like print origin (X and Y), printing direction, and speed. To check the status of print head nozzles, click on the **Status** option under the **Operation** tab (Refer to Fig 26).

The **Test Result** is shown in the image below:



Fig 27: Displaying the Test Result

#### Maintenance Menu

The Maintenance menu is shown in the below:



Fig 28: Displaying the Maintenance Menu

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The Maintenance menu consists several tabs viz. Calibration, Motion, Voltage, Carriage Lifter, and System Information. Let's see all these menus one by one in the upcoming section.

The **Motion** tab is shown as below:



Fig 29: Displaying the Motion Tab

In the above image, user has to provide the value of X and Y Move Length which defines the distance travelled while moving the carriage and media manually in a single click of an arrow key (Refer to the marked area).

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#### The **Voltage** tab is shown as below:

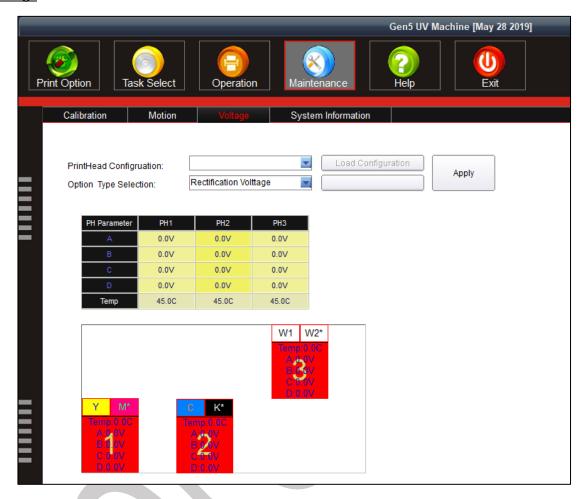


Fig 30: Displaying the Voltage Tab

This section is only used by the service engineer.

**Vulcan Prime** Page **33** of **46**  The <u>System Information</u> tab is used to provide a complete set of information about the Print Control Center system installed in user computer. Additionally, user can feed the password before expiry, as shown as below:



Fig 31: Displaying the System Information Tab

#### **Feeding Password**

In Vulcan Prime, there is a hardware key associated with the Main Board. This hardware key is required to run the printer and valid for certain time period. When the time period is completed, printer gets stopped and needs new password to start. For new password, user needs to approach service personnel and enter the password in the given field as shown below:



Fig 32: Enter System Password

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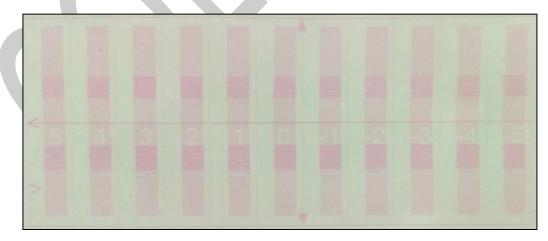
# 7. Machine Calibration

Print Heads should be calibrated to ensure good printing quality. To perform calibration, *click* on the **Maintenance Calibration** path and then, as shown below:



Fig 33: Opening the Calibration Wizard

In the above figure, step and bi-direction calibrations are performed simply by providing data in the given fields. For bi-direction, click on the **Bi-Dir Offset** (Refer to Fig 33) and select the speed for which you want to perform the calibration. The **Bi-direction Calibration** result is shown in the image below:



From the above image, user needs to select the value of best aligned pattern and feed (by adding or subtracting in the current value) in the mark field (Refer to Fig 33).

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# 8. Head Cleaning

Print Head is a delicate part which needs to be cleaned as per the recommended methods to have long life and to ensure consistent print quality. Below sections give recommended steps to clean the Print Heads.

## **Head Blotting**

In Head Blotting, extra ink below the heads is to be wiped using the head wiper, as shown below:





Fig 34: Displaying the Head Wiper

**Note**: Please strictly follow the below mentioned instructions:

- Don't apply force while wiping the residue inks from heads after purging.
- Clean the head wiper every time after the head blotting process.
- Purging should be performed not more than 2 to 3 seconds.
- Avoid head damage due to media and Print Head confliction.
- Don't use expiry ink and store the ink at favourable environment.
- Print head nozzles should be kept clean, dust free, and also prevent from oxidation.

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#### **Head Purging**

Head purging refers to the method in which heads are cleaned by forcing pressurized ink through the nozzles. In the printer, The Head Purging button for each color is available on the carriage, as shown in the below figure:





Sliding Tray

Fig 35: Displaying the Purging Button and Ink Valves

Ink Valves Available both sides of the carriage

Follow these steps of head purging:

- Step 1: Open ink valves.
- Step 2: Press the Purging button of each color to purge (refer to Fig 35).
- Step 3: Push the sliding tray (refer to Fig 35).
- Step 4: Use head wiper to clean the print head (refer to Fig 34).

## **Head Spraying**

Head spraying should be performed to avoid mixing of colors and also may open few blocked nozzles. To perform head spraying, *click* on the **Flash** button available on the **Right Panel**, as shown below:



Fig 36: Clicking on the Flash Button

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# 9. Shutdown Procedure

Follow these steps to shut down the machine:

**Step 1:** Move the carriage to the home position.

**Step 2:** Turn OFF the Printer Control Center software.

**Step 3:** Turn OFF the ink valves.

**Step 4:** Switch off the **Chiller Unit** by pressing the OFF button as shown in the below image:



Fig 37: Switch OFF the Chiller Unit

**Step 5:** Turn off the Printer Main Power button to close the printer, as shown below:



Fig 38: Turn OFF the Main Power Button

**Step 6:** Turn Off the main switch.

After switch OFF, properly cover the printer to protect it from the dust.

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# 10. Do's and Don't

## <u>Do's</u>

- Always care about unevenness of media as it may damage the Print Heads, if not properly placed
- Keep the room dust free and maintain the temperature
- Perform Nozzle test daily before using the machine
- Use only recommended ink in the machine
- Check and refill ink main tank regularly to avoid air lock
- To avoid air in head pipes, always maintain the ink level more than 1 Litre in the main tank and wipe Print Heads immediately after purging
- Chiller tank should be filled with coolant liquid
- Keep the carriage path free from any obstacle

#### Don'ts

- Avoid ink spilling on the Print Head and head cables
- Don't use expiry ink and store ink at favorable environment
- Avoid printing without Colorbar
- Avoid head damage due to media and Print Head confliction

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# 11. Maintenance

#### **Print Head Maintenance**

Print Head is an important and delicate part of the printer. Thus, it must be handled with care to ensure the long life of the machine. Pay attention to potential problems caused by environment, heat and moisture, collision, cleaning etc. For print head maintenance, the following instructions should be taken care:

- Perform the nozzle test daily 2-3 times before printing to monitor the blockage in the head nozzles.
- Use the print head in specified environmental conditions viz. Temperature 20-25 degree Celsius with humidity 55%, dust-free and exhaust condition.
- Avoid ink spilling on the print head and head cables and if there is ink in the print head, it must be wiped dry with clean cloth, and inform engineer
- Avoid head damage due to media and Print Head confliction.
- Color bar should be ON.
- Don't use expiry ink and store the ink at favorable environment.
- Prevent the object or human body with static contact to the print head.
- Print head nozzles should be kept clean, dust free, and also prevent from oxidation.

#### Maintenance of Machine Motion Parts

Clean and lubricate guide rail at least once a month and lubricate if required.

## **Equipment Cleaning**

- Turn OFF all power switches to machine while cleaning the machine equipment.
- Avoid splashing liquid and dropping on/in the circuit board or the power line.
- Careful while cleaning the sensitive devices, like sensors and raster.
- Use clean cloth to clean up the dust and residual oil on the tracks.
- Should keep water, ink, oil away from the Encoder scale.

#### Power System Maintenance

• Ground wire should always be checked whether loose or disconnection.

#### Control System Maintenance

#### Static discharge

- The operator must discharge his own electrostatic charge before touching the electronic components and parts.
- Don't touch the pin connectors and welded joints on circuit boards, integrated circuit boards.

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### Ink Supply System Maintenance

- Check for leakage between joint & ink tank and joint & valve settings.
- Check for damages on ink tubes.
- Check Ink impurities in the ink tanks as this will affect the ink supplying.

#### Water Chiller Operating Instructions

- It is forbidden to put the water chiller under the temperature environment 0°C, otherwise the circulating water would ice, which generates frost damage to the equipment! (If the water chiller must be preserved in below 0°C environment, please take the following measures:
  - Please be sure to drain the water Off in the water chiller immediately after it is switched off and then fill it full with water before next operation;
  - Please add antifreeze appropriately in the circulating water in order to reduce the freezing point.
     Note: Add antifreeze according to the requirements of the cooling equipment.)
- It is forbidden to tilt the water chiller or to carry or place it inverted. It must not be switched on again after normal handling until the machine has been standing still for 2 hours!
- Make sure that the air is removed from the water pump before the water chiller is switched on. Strictly
  prohibit empty running the water chiller!
- Don't plug or unplug the joints when the water chiller is running.
- The water chiller's normal operating temperature range is 10°C to 35°C. If the temperature is beyond the range, please contact the manufacturer.
- Make sure that the water chiller is operated in a smoothly ventilated environment and it is barrier free in 0.5 meter on both sides of the air inlet and air outlet.
- Make sure that the water tank is filled with water before the machine is switched on, then fill the tank
  again after one minute's running to avoid the low water level alarm leads to abnormal operation of the
  water chiller.
- Distilled water is the best to be used as circulating water, then is high quality pure water. Don't use tap water or other water which contains acid, alkali, corrosive or mineral substance.
- Circulating water temperature is set according to the standard that no dew appears on the surface of the cooled parts. It is easy to damage the equipment damage if there's dew on the surface of the parts. Please set the temperature value according to the environmental temperature and relative humidity.
- The water chiller must be placed in a horizontal plane and fixed before it works.
- The length of the pipe to connect the water chiller and cooled equipment should not be longer than 8m (4m one path). If not, the pipe resistance would increase and the flow rate would decrease that will result in abnormal operation or damage of the water chiller and cooled equipment.
- Check whether the water level is normal, the pipe is blocked and pipeline valve is normally opened before the machine is switched on.
- Clean the condenser fins and fan blades every 7 days (cleaning method: open the air inlet and then blowout the dust of condenser with air pressure gun).
- Replace the circulating water every 1 to 2 months and clean the water tank, water pipe and joints.

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• Fasten the electrical wiring inside the electrical control cabinet with a fixed screw every six month to prevent the screw loosening, which results in poor contact.



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# 12. Troubleshooting

#### **Printer Not Initializing**

- Emergency button is pressed
- Head Power is not ON
- Servo driver is not powered ON/faulty
- Main Board is faulty
- Encoder sensor is not connected to HB

## **Print Control Center Showing Error**

- USB is disconnected from computer or loosely connected
- USB Driver is not working
- USB cable is faulty

## Print Not Drying/Ink Marks on Back of the Fabric

• UV Lamps are not ON or working

#### Ink Not Filling

- Main tank is empty
- Ink pipe is having cut/bend
- Ink pump is not working/connector loose/open

#### **Print Stops in Between Printing**

- USB cable is loose / faulty
- Image files are heavy in size
- Ground wire is disconnected
- Encoder scale is having ink stains/scratches
- Ripped file is having error

#### Print is Shifting wrt Fabric/ Junk Printing

- Encoder scale is having ink stains (print shows vertical color bands)
- Encoder sensor is not clean
- Fibre optic data cable is faulty

#### Print is Blur

- No proper calibration viz. bi-direction and step
- Incorrect resolution is selected
- Media surface is uneven

#### **Lines in Prints**

- Nozzle blocked in heads (check nozzle test)
- Incorrect feed step (calibration required)

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# 13. Error Code Specifications

# **Machine Errors**

Error Code	Error Description	Remedial Action	
111	Control device can't be driven	Reconnect USB control card	
		USB card is damaged	
118	Fail to create fiber communication	Check if fiber optic cable cut/disconnected	
122	System can't detect the signal of X position encoder in reset action and fail to reset action	<ul> <li>Check emergency switch if pressed</li> <li>Verify motion work is normal</li> </ul>	
125	Detected emergency signal	Close emergency switch, then restart software	
127	Y position encoder no signal	<ul><li>Check emergency switch if pressed</li><li>Verify carriage motion work is normal</li></ul>	
138	X Axis reset fault	Check emergency switch if pressed	
151	No found security do	Check whether security dog is inserted in the system	
152	This security dog is invalid	The security dog doesn't match control hardware	
154	The security dog time is wrong!	Contact your equipment provider	
155	The Security dog has expired.	Contact your equipment provider	
156	The Security dog has expired	Contact your equipment provider	
157	The Stage is expired	Contact your equipment provider to get new stage password	
159	The security dog time is wrong!	Contact your equipment provider	
161	The authorization is inactive. must input activated password and restart software!	Contact your service provider to get activated password	
168	The stage password is wrong!	Contact your equipment provider to get password!	
169	The new stage is expired, continue to input valid password. Please	Contact your equipment provider to get password!	
139	Y Axis Reset Fault	Verify encoder signal A and B	
309	USB disconnect	Connect USB	
319	Y margin is incorrect	Need to give some values instead of 0	
1190	Failed to load waveform file." "confirm Ricoh printhead waveform file exist?	This can happen when new software installed. copy wf in that folder and when error comes during initialize, go to voltage setting and enable user pwd and select wf, load cong and apply	

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