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# UX SERIES

Continuous Inkjet Printers



UX  
Print description  
LMN10  
HITACHI  
Operating Time  
1,234h  
Print Count  
0  
Makeup Ink  
100%  
START PRINTING  
STARTUP  
HOME OPEN SAVE ADJUST EDIT SETTINGS LOGIN

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READY FAULT WARNING

STOP ON

TWINnozzle  
Ink Jet Printer  
UX-D



nozzle size 65 μm



The Hitachi UX Series continuous inkjet printers represent **CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT IN MARKING AND CODING TECHNOLOGY**, all while furthering the Hitachi reputation for reliable, efficient, and easy-to-use products.



**EFFICIENT INK RECOVERY**



**WORRY-FREE INTEGRATION**



**INTUITIVE PRINT CONTROL**



**RELIABLE CIRCULATION SYSTEM**



**POUR-IN INK CAPABILITY**



**SIMPLE FLUID MANAGEMENT**

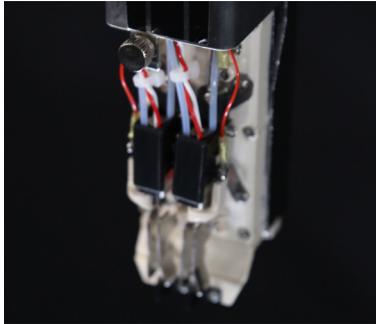


**DURABLE PRINTHEAD**

The Hitachi UX Series is the printer of choice for non-contact printing needs. The UX Series improves the existing, reliable Hitachi continuous inkjet products and is versatile enough to provide industry-leading marking on food and beverage products, health and beauty products and a variety of containers from lip balm tubes to bag printing and oversized PVC piping.



# NEW VERSATILE, DURABLE PRINTHEAD

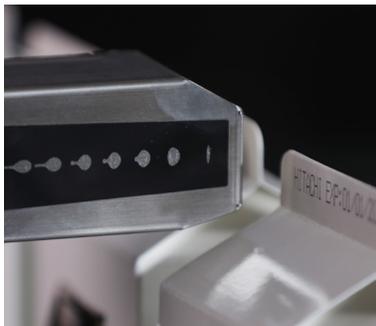


## High-Quality Components.

The UX Series printhead is built to last, keeping your marking and coding up and running. Open up the printhead and you'll see high-quality Hitachi parts that stand up to the harsh environments your printer runs in - reducing your downtime and increasing your printer's efficiency.

## Durable NI-CR Plating.

The UX Series printhead is ready to work wherever you need it most. The UX Series features a new Nickel-Chrome finish, giving it exceptional corrosion resistance and increasing the printhead's lifespan in demanding environments including wash-downs and exposure to caustic chemicals.



## Versatile Tapered Printhead.

Getting the printhead as close as possible to the product it is marking is the name of the game in non-contact printing and the UX series' tapered printhead design allows it to get millimeters away from products - helping it achieve a higher quality print than ever before.

## Flexible Six-line Print.

A single UX printhead can now print up to six lines of text by employing an innovative print control system. Also available in the UX Series is Hitachi's industry-first interlaced drop control system, resulting in the highest quality code available regardless of print height.





# SIMPLE FLUID MANAGEMENT

## The Hitachi UX Series comes with two fluid management system styles:

Cartridge or pour-in style so that you can customize your inkjet printer to fit your business' needs.



### Mistake-free disposal.

This system makes it easy to replace ink, by allowing users to simply replace the entire ink cartridge, making for an efficient and mistake-free process. Use RFID recognition to scan each bottle of ink and makeup solution to reduce errors as well as dreaded downtime for your printer.



### Tool-less filter replacement.

Ink filters can be replaced without the use of tools or a technician, resulting in virtually zero downtime for routine maintenance. The UX Series provides the lowest total cost of operation on the market because it prevents unnecessary shutdowns.



### Freedom to pour.

This method offers more flexibility for your business and ease of change for your operators. The pour-in method is simple and intuitive, requiring less operator training. Plus, the pour-in system allows your inkjet printer to handle a larger variety of Hitachi-recommended ink products - making your continuous inkjet system more flexible to fit your business' needs.



### Simple, economical disposal.

Ink and makeup cartridges are good to the last drop, and drain fully into their respective reservoirs. Complete fluid evacuation allows ink and makeup containers to be disposed of easily instead of incurring costly hazardous disposal expenses.



### Stay informed.

On-screen icons provide simple, visual feedback to an operator. Ink and makeup solution level gauges show the current fluid level and indicate when it's time to replace ink. This allows for more efficient ink usage, reduces waste and further contributes to cost reduction.



### Choose your ink.

Hitachi offers a variety of pour-in inks giving users an option to use a more environmentally-friendly, less wasteful option than comparable inkjet printers who simply use the cartridge replacement method.



# INTUITIVE PRINT CONTROL



## An intuitive interface.

A 10.4-inch TFT LCD touch-panel screen provides a wide, easy-to-see viewing angle and quick-to-understand operation. In addition, when changing print messages, a preview function allows the operator to verify what the message will look like to help avoid printing errors before they happen.

## Keep and collect your message.

Messages can be easily backed up onto a USB flash drive for convenient transferring to multiple printers.

## Get troubleshooting help.

The UX Series features an integrated, easy to access troubleshooting guide, helping operators easily find answers to common issues and reducing downtime due to simple problems.



## WORRY-FREE INTEGRATION

**The Hitachi UX Series printers can operate in high and low temperature** as well as dusty environments, so you can place them close to the action - no matter where the action is.

### Hitachi UX Dynamic

IP-65 rated. The UX Dynamic model printer is IP-65, so it can be integrated into a variety of production environments without modifying current production processes such as wash-down procedures. The UX Dynamic can operate in temperatures as low as 0° C (32° F) and up to temperatures as high as 50° C (122° F) which means that the UX Dynamic model is able to tolerate marking in a wide variety of environments - making it an ideal choice for most facilities.

### Accessories

Hitachi offers a wide variety of high-quality accessories for its UX Series, including brackets and mounting options to help integrate your UX Series continuous inkjet printer into your existing work environment seamlessly.



## APPLICATIONS FOR YOUR BUSINESS

### **The Hitachi UX Series is the clear leader for your non-contact printing needs.**

The UX Series improves on existing, Hitachi continuous inkjet products and is versatile enough to provide industry leading marking no matter what industry you work in.





### Ink R&D.

Hitachi invested in a dedicated ink R&D facility to deliver specialized, application-specific inks to customers quickly. Hitachi inks are developed and tested to meet customers' specific requirements in a state-of-the-art facility located in Charlotte, North Carolina.



## CASE STUDIES

Learn how companies like yours are benefiting from Hitachi innovation:



### BAKER CHEESE:

**THE CHALLENGE:** When you run as much product as Baker Cheese does, consistency and reliability become essential in keeping the sticks of string cheese coming down the conveyor. Baker Cheese produces nearly 3 million sticks of string cheese per day which means the costs of downtime are enormous. Their previous coding equipment wasn't able to deliver the print consistency needed to complement their high-quality cheese, so they found themselves needing an easy-to-use printing solution to produce high value prints within the small print window that's part of the Baker Cheese intermittent motion production process.

**THE SOLUTION:** A two-week head-to-head trial with multiple competitive printers proved that Hitachi's continuous inkjet printers were able to meet and exceed Baker Cheese's printer needs the best. Baker Cheese chose IMS Partners to supply RX Series Continuous Inkjet Printers and IMS was able to assist Baker Cheese in developing a print solution that flawlessly fit into their current production processes, allowing Baker Cheese to decrease downtime while increasing consistency of printing.

**THE RESULTS:** Not only did Hitachi Continuous Inkjet Printers decrease downtime, but they virtually eliminated it. With the improved output, the new Hitachi printers reduced printer costs while lifting the average into the exceptional. This increased business efficiency helped fortify Baker Cheese's position as one of the top string cheese producers in the US.

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPICE COMPANY:



**THE CHALLENGE:** Due to the variety and volume of products that are packaged at Rocky Mountain Spice, the efficiency of their daily operations is closely monitored. One area that caused a lot of downtime was their marking and coding equipment. The interface was difficult to use when switching over a product line and repairs were often needed following continuous usage of the equipment. Paul Courtright, the maintenance manager, had worked with many inkjet manufacturers over the years, and was determined to find a better solution.

**THE SOLUTION:** After continued trouble with their inkjet printers, Paul reached out to their local Hitachi distributor, Colorado Scale Center, who he had worked with previously on other equipment. The Hitachi RX2 Series Continuous Inkjet Printers were highly recommended and a demo unit was made available. Rocky Mountain Spice quickly realized how easy the Hitachi was to operate, even on the production floor. During the two weeks of testing, the Hitachi RX2 required zero cleaning or maintenance, a huge step up from their previous printers.

**THE RESULTS:** The Hitachi RX2 Continuous Inkjet Printers helped to decrease downtime in a number of ways. Setting up each line before production is quick and easy with the intuitive user interface of the RX2 printers. Repairs and maintenance costs have virtually been eliminated due to the printer's durability and reliability. Since switching over to the Hitachi Printers, Rocky Mountain Spice has been able to focus on other priorities -- delivering fresh, quality spices.

# PRINT SAMPLES

The Hitachi UX Series continuous inkjet printers represent the pinnacle of innovation in marking and coding technology, all while showcasing the Hitachi reputation for Reliability, Efficiency, and Ease of Use.

## PRINT SAMPLES



# STANDARD PRINT SAMPLES

Font (Horizontal x Vertical)	UX SERIES			UX-D160W				
5x5	1LINE	0123456789ABCDEFGH	2LINE	012345678	3LINE	012345678	6LINE	01234567890123456789 ABCDEFGHIJKL MNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
	2LINE	012345678		ABCDEFGHI		ABCDEFGHIJKL MNOPQR		
5x7	1LINE	0123456789ABCD	2LINE	012345678	3LINE	012345678	4LINE	0123456789 ABCDEFGHIJKL MNOPQR STUVWXYZ
	2LINE	0123456		ABCDEFGHI		ABCDEFGHIJKL MNOPQR		
7x10	1LINE	0123456789	2LINE	01234567	3LINE	01234567890123456789	4LINE	01234567890123456789 ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRS TUVWXYZABCDEFGHIJKL
	2LINE	012345		ABCDEFGH		ABCDEFGHIJKL MNOPQRS		
10x12	1LINE	0123456789ABCD	2LINE	0123456789	3LINE	01234567890	4LINE	01234567890 ABCDEFGHIJK
	2LINE	0123456789		ABCDEFGHIJK		ABCDEFGHIJK LMNOP		
12x16	1LINE	0123456789ABC アイウエオカキクケコ	2LINE	01	3LINE	01	4LINE	012 ABC
	2LINE	0123456		01		01		
18x24	1LINE	0123456789	2LINE	0123456789	3LINE	0123456789	4LINE	0123456789
	2LINE	0123456789		0123456789		0123456789		
24x32	1LINE	0123456789ABCDEF	2LINE	012345	3LINE	012345	4LINE	012345
	2LINE	012345		012345		012345		
30x40	1LINE	012345ABCDEF	2LINE	012345	3LINE	012345	4LINE	012345
	2LINE	012345		012345		012345		
36x48	1LINE	012345ABCD	2LINE	012345	3LINE	012345	4LINE	012345
	2LINE	012345		012345		012345		

## STANDARD SPECIFICATION

Item	Model		
	UX-B160W Basic	UX-D160W Dynamic	
Nozzle size	65µm		
Max. print line number	Up to 3 lines	Up to 3 lines (option: up to 6 lines)	
Max. # of print characters	Up to 240 characters	Up to 240 characters (option: up to 1,000 characters)	
Font (Horizontal x Vertical)	4 x 5	–	Option: ✓
	5 x 5	✓	✓
	5 x 7(8), 9 x 7(8)	✓	✓
	7 x 10	✓	✓
	11 x 11	✓ (Chinese only)	✓ (Chinese only)
	10 x 12	✓	✓
	12 x 16	✓	✓
	18 x 24	✓	✓
	24 x 32	–	Option: ✓
	30 x 40	–	Option: ✓
36 x 48	–	Option: ✓	
Character height	2 - 10 mm		
Display & input device	WYSIWYG design Display: TFT LCD (10.4" color), backlight provided Input device: Touch panel, input sound provided		
Screen language (2 languages selectable)	English, Chinese, Korean, Thai, Vietnamese, German, French, Dutch, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Swedish, Danish, Greek, Russian, Czech, Polish, Arabic, Serbian, Turkish, Hungarian, Bulgarian, Catalan, Romanian, Finnish, Norwegian, Slovenian		
Maximum print rate (characters per second) (Font 5x5, space 1, 1 line)	Up to 1,148	Up to 1,148 (Optional: Up to 2,296)	
Standard characters	Alphanumeric (A-Z, a-z, 0-9), symbols (27) and space: Total 90		
User pattern	50 patterns each for dot matrix	200 patterns each for dot matrix	
Print functions	Calendar, Count, Font mixture, Password		
Barcode printing	–	code39, ITF, NW-7, EAN-13, EAN-8, UPC-A, UPC-E, code128/EAN-128, GS-1 Databar	
2D code printing	–	Data Matrix (Alphabet: 49 characters/Numerals: 98 characters), QR, Micro QR code	
Message storage capacity	150 messages	300 messages [Option: Up to 2,000 messages (depends on data content)]	
Input signal	Print target detection Rotary encoder pulse (NPN/PNP Selectable)	Print target detection, Printing stop, Rotary encoder pulse, Reciprocative printing, Remote control ( Run, Stop, High-voltage ON/OFF, Reset), (NPN/PNP Selectable)	
Output signal	Print ready, Fault, Warning (NPN Only)	Print in progress or Print complete, Online (NPN/PNP Selectable), Print ready, Fault, Warning (NPN Only)	
Data interface	Option (RS-232C at baud rates selectable up to 115,200bps)	RS-232C at baud rates selectable up to 115,200bps	
Ethernet (Modbus communication)	–	IEEE802.3, 100BASE-T	
External memory	USB for user data storage		
Printhead cable length / angle	4m (in-line / 90 degrees)		
Operating temperature range	0-50°C (1067K Ink)		
Operating humidity range	30-90% RH (no condensation)		
Power supply (Automatic voltage selection)	AC100-120/220-240V±10% 50/60Hz 120VA		
Dimensions (Width x Depth x Height)	400 x 320 x 527 mm		
International protection	IP55	IP65	
Approximate weight	27kg		

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