

PRESS RELEASE

STP Packaging adopt Star Plate for digital film generation

Irish-based packaging supplier extends its green credentials with chemical-free solution.

London (England), 20th November 2023 - STP Packaging in Cork, Ireland, have invested in a Star Plate solution to bring high quality film production in-house. The system which was installed in October 2023, produces Imagesetter quality films, but without the need for water supply, air filtration or chemical development.

The installation, which was carried out by Dantex Graphics, uses Star Plate to make negative films of customer artwork. The resultant films are exposed to RapidoFlex water wash photopolymer plates which are in turn processed using water wash technology, ready for printing.

STP have been supplying converted and printed packaging materials to a wide range of industries throughout Ireland and beyond since 1984. Commenting on the investment, Steve Power, Sales Manager at STP said “In the past, we outsourced all artworks to be made into plates. The integration of Star Plate has allowed us to become more efficient, with the ability to produce digital films quickly and cost effectively.

Power observed “In addition, Star Plate fits very well with our company’s ethos of adopting and offering sustainable packaging solutions to our customer base.”

The Star Plate Digital Film solution is distributed across Europe and North America by Graphic Republik.

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About STP Packaging

Since its establishment in 1984, STP has proudly evolved into an all-encompassing packaging company that caters its products and services to a wide range of industries throughout Ireland and abroad. Our success has been a result of our sincere passion for creating real and tangible value, which is reflected in the products and services we are

continuing to add to our repertoire.

Our bespoke range of converted and printed packaging materials includes Stretch Films, Custom Printed Tapes, Protective Packaging and Bags, produced to size and available J.I.T from our factory in Cork.

About Graphic Republik

Graphic Republik, founded in January 2008 and headquartered in London, England, has a distribution network covering Europe and North America. Graphic Republik specializes in pre-press, colour conversion and proofing solutions developed specifically for the Packaging sector of the printing industry. The software range is in use across the industry from Design and Pre-press houses through to Flexo, Gravure, Offset and Digital printing companies.

About Star Plate:

Star Plate is a modern and ecologically sustainable digital imaging solution. It has been designed to facilitate a direct inkjet-to-film process and produces high quality negative and positive films.

Star Plate analyses and reproduces text and fine lines, right down to 1pt type and is capable of imaging screen rulings up to 200 lpi. The resultant high quality films provide accurate registration between separations, making them ideal for use in Flexo or Letterpress plate making or Silk Screen exposure.

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