

Colours & colour matching.

Important information.

If you are used to working with the Pantone colour system or have been given a Pantone number by your printer or designer you need to know that Pantone is NOT used by manufacturers of Vinyl, Acrylic, Aluminium Composite or Powder Coaters/ Painters .

Pantone numbers are not relevant to rigid sheet materials. Manufacturers of these materials DO NOT use Pantone and will not have material available which is guaranteed to match your specific colours.

What is available.

Acrylic

A selection of colours are available. These are NOT made to any set colour system- they are simply the colours which the individual manufacturers of acrylic know will sell.

Acrylic colours may come close to a Pantone number but they are NOT formulated with Pantone in mind.

If you are illuminating acrylic please remember that the colour is different at night than it is during the day.

If you must have an exact Pantone colour acrylic manufacturers will make a special batch subject to a minimum order of several tons and a lead time of many weeks.

Aluminium Composite

This material is made to the RAL colour matching system NOT Pantone.

Specific Pantone colours may be achieved by flood coating in an off the shelf coloured vinyl or printed vinyl. It may be possible to spray paint standard sheets with Pantone matched paints. All these options naturally increase the costs involved.

Powder Coating powder

This material is subject to a minimum order of 25kgs. RAL is the standard system for powders but it may be possible to match to Pantone.

Pantone colours will have to be purchased in 25kg boxes irrespective of the quantity actually needed.

Conclusion

You should be prepared to be flexible with your colours and use standard colours. If you must have specific Pantone colours you should expect an increase in costs and lead times.



RAL swatches are available at reduced cost.



Pantone colours are NOT applicable to;

Perspex
Plexiglas
Repsol
Dibond
Reynobond
Alupanel

