

Software upgrade

GSE Dispensing, a provider of Ink Management Software, has upgraded the software used to run its ink dispensing systems. This new update, known as IMS 3.61, comprises a host of new functions which improve ink formulation accuracy, user friendliness and productivity. These include the ability to make recipe corrections according to anilox roll types, bucket parking facilities, improved ink return management functions and a user interface in several European languages.

Ink Management Software offers several features that allow fast, fully automated and precise ink recipe formulation. Using a clear and easy-to-use operator interface, the operator simply enters the required PMS or spot colour, and the software calculates the necessary ingredients in an instant. As a result, a four-colour printing job can be prepared in as little as five minutes, cutting make-ready time significantly. Its ability to calculate press-return inks (the surplus ink after a production run) into new recipes, normally too complex to be calculated manually, enables significant reduction of waste.

Other benefits of IMS include a database facility for easy tracing of ink-components of previous recipes, real-time ink stock availability, and barcoding of surplus inks after a production runs for efficient stockholding.