

Image Appears Blotchy

A dry appearance or voids in the print is usually caused by ink which had dried in the image area of the *cliché*

Probably Cause

Possible Solution

Pad

Too flat

Use a more pointed shaped pad

Porous, worn pad

Replace pad

Cliché

Etch depth is too shallow

Make a new cliché with a deeper etch

Wrong type of etch

Make a new cliché with a screened areas

Ink

Too thick

Add thinner

Ink dried in etching

Clean the cliché with screened areas

Material

Contaminated with oils

Clean with alcohol.

Other

Machine speed too low

Increase the speed of the machine