

# Technical Data Sheet

## Docufluidal® BP Ball Pen Inks

### Low Viscosity Ball Pen Inks for Smooth Writing

#### General Information

All Docufluidal® inks are anti-gooping and anti-leaking adjusted. This ball pen ink of series Docufluidal® is formulated with a significantly decreased viscosity. In comparison to standard ink types the following properties are clearly improved:

- smoother writing behaviour
- better starting characteristic
- higher ink lay down
- higher writing intensity

#### Suitable Surfaces

All kinds of paper

#### Applicable Standards & Regulations on Request

#### Physical Data

Type	Colour	Lightfastness (ISO 12757)	TF	Viscosity at 20°C mPa s ± 500	Surface tension mN/m	pH-Value
Docufluidal® BP 134 <sup>1)</sup>	violet blue	Part I	yes	8,500	> 35	4.3 - 6.3
Docufluidal® BP 159 N	black	Part II	no	8,500	> 36	4.5 - 6.5
Docufluidal® BP 181 <sup>1)</sup>	dark blue	Part II	no	8,500	> 34	4.6 - 6.6
Docufluidal® BP 183	green	Part II	no	8,500	> 34	5.5 - 7.0
Docufluidal® BP 187	black	Part II	no	8,500	> 36	7.5 - 9.5
Docufluidal® BP 191 <sup>1)</sup>	blue	Part II	no	8,500	> 36	5.5 - 7.5
Docufluidal® BP 242	red	Part I	no	8,500	> 36	4.0 - 6.0
Docufluidal® BP 243	ruby red	Part I	yes	8,500	> 36	7.5 - 8.5
Docufluidal® BP 246	red	Part I	yes	8,500	> 36	4.0 - 6.0

ISO 12757: Ball point pens and refills - Part I: General use, Part II: Documentary use, TF: Transparent Flux (clear drain in suitable refills), 1) contains Solvent Violet 8, will be available until Q4/2024, replacement in development

#### Technical Advice

General remarks:

Dokumental has tested the performance, long term stability and shelf life of the inks in the laboratory under typical terms of use in a limited number of writing systems. As there is a large variety of writing system components available on the market, Dokumental can NOT give a general guarantee for the inks in all writing systems. Therefore, it is mandatory to approve the compatibility of the inks and the components as well as the writing performance, long term stability and the shelf life of the inks in the customer's components. Important and decisive parameters are:

#### 1. Climatic conditions: Temperature and Humidity

Especially exposure to high temperatures and high humidity may accelerate the aging of the ink in original ink drums as well as in the writing system. This may lead to reduced shelf life of the products. Therefore, long term stability and shelf life of the writing system must be tested thoroughly under those climatic conditions, which are expected during the storage time and the practical use of the writing system.

2. All materials, which get into contact (short term or long term) with the inks during processing and manufacturing of the writing instruments, like hoses, pipes, pumps, funnels, storage tanks, cleaning liquids etc. All such contact materials may not release any contaminations to the inks. Contamination of the inks may lead to undesirable effects like performance loss and/or reduced shelf life.

3. All materials, which get into contact (short term and long term) with the inks in the writing system like tips, tubes, sealing waxes, ink follower, etc. Long term oven test at elevated temperature (recommended is 40 to 50 °C) must be carried out to prove long term compatibility of all components and materials.

4. Narrow tip and tube dimensions like tips ≤ 0.5 mm and/or tubes with inner diameter ≤ 1,7 mm may lead to reduced shelf life of the writing system or other undesirable effects due to accelerated ink drying especially when stored at temperatures above 30 °C.

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#### Suitable Components:

All ball pen inks are suitable for plastic and metal refills.

For capillary refills, the use of ink follower Dokumental® IF 4312 colourless will increase the shelf life and will improve clear drain property. For jumbo refills, the use of ink follower Dokumental® IF 4310 white or IF 4311 white is mandatory in order to prevent back-leakage. For further information about our ink followers see the Dokumental® IF 43xx technical data sheet.

It is mandatory to approve the compatibility of the ink and the components as well as the performance of the writing system.

#### Storage, Handling & Transportation

Store our product frost protected and avoid direct sunlight. The recommended storage temperature is between 10°C and 30°C. Storage temperatures of above 30°C for several days bear the risk of a reduced shelf life of the ink.

After usage the drums have to be closed again tightly.

Horizontal storage of the refills is recommended in order to get the maximum shelf life.

The shelf life of the inks in original sealed containers is 4 years.

#### Packaging

20kg plastic canister

200kg plastic drum

1,000kg IBC

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