

Front Panels

Solutions For Harsh Environments

One size does not fit all. Each project is unique with an independent set of challenges. MPC can recommend a front panel that is specifically engineered and ideally suited for your equipment, environment, and budget. Custom metal and plastic panels are precision fabricated using forming, bending and cutting capabilities, and various attachment features including studs, adhesives or fasteners add value to your equipment.

MPC's Promise: Durable front panels engineered to last the life of your equipment.

Metalphoto of Cincinnati has been a leading full-service manufacturer of durable custom front panels and other identification products for more than 50 years. Experience is our strength, providing the knowledge and capability to deliver the best solution for your product identification needs.

Because Durability Matters

Tough performance with resistance against:

- · UV/sunlight exposure
- abrasion
- extreme temperatures
- weather
- saltwater
- · chemicals & solvents
- · cleaning processes
- · graffiti

Specifications

- military
- aerospace
- · many industry standards

One- and Two-Part Panels

- One-part metal or plastic front panels with optional adhesive or mechanical attachment features.
- Two-part front panels using metal or plastic overlays mounted to a thicker metal back panel with various attachment options.















Metal & Plastic Choices Include:

Metalphoto is our most durable and widely used material. High-resolution graphics are sealed beneath a sapphire-hard anodic layer, providing superior resistance to UV, abrasion, cleaning solvents, most chemicals, and extreme temperatures. Service range is -40°F to +650°F. Proven outdoor durability of 20+ years.

Anodized Aluminum offers a built-in protective finish that provides exceptional abrasion resistance and durability against corrosion, extreme temperatures, chemicals and solvents. May be considered as an alternative to Metalphoto for certain applications where UV resistance is not a requirement.

Aluminum is lightweight, strong, and provides good corrosion resistance. Image durability is directly related to types of inks or color fills applied (epoxy, dye or pigment base). A protective coating is often applied for increased abrasion resistance.

Stainless Steel offers exceptional resistance to chemicals and corrosion. A dense metal preferred for highly caustic and acidic environments, which would otherwise attack aluminum. Image durability is directly related to types of inks or color fills applied (epoxy, dye or pigment base).

Polyester possesses high tensile strength with good resistance against heat, chemicals, abrasion and tears. This economical plastic is available in a variety of colors and easily die-cut. Graphics are printed on the second surface for increased durability.

Polycarbonate possesses high mechanical strength and superior optical clarity with good heat, chemical, abrasion and impact resistance. This economical plastic is available in a variety of colors and easily die-cut. Graphics are printed on the second surface for maximum durability.

Need help? Contact us now at 800.528.4058 to discuss your project.

Material Selection Chart:

RATING KEY		PHYSICAL / ENVIRONMENTAL PROPERTIES								DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS			
Excellent		(°F)	Ð		a)	Chemical Resistance				ng ity	ŏ		ss (.۲
Very GoodGoodFairPoor		Heat Max (°	Cold Max (°F)	Outdoor Durability	Abrasion Resistance	Solvents	Fuel, Oil & Grease	Acids	Bases	Color Printing Compatability	Custom Color Matching	Textures Available	Range of Thicknesses Available (In.)
MATERIAL SELECTION*	Metalphoto®	750°	-400°							Black/Silver Only	N/A	Gloss, Satin, Matte, #4 Brush	.003125
	Metalphoto® with Anodized Printed Colors	350°	-400°							Spot Color Only	Yes (Limited)	Gloss, Satin, Matte, #4 Brush,	.003125
	Anodized Aluminum	350°	-400°							Spot Color Only	Yes (Limited)	Gloss, Satin, Matte, #4 Brush	.003125
	Aluminum	1000°	-140°					•		Spot Color Only	Yes	Gloss, Satin, Matte, #4 Brush	.003125
	Stainless Steel	1500°	-400°						•	Spot Color Only	Yes	Satin, #4 Brush	.014120
	Polyester	140°	-40°							Full Color (CMYK)	Yes	Gloss, Matte	.005010
	Polycarbonate	270°	-211°	•	•	•	•	•	•	Full Color (CMYK)	Yes	Gloss, Matte, Velvet	.005030
	Hard-Coated Polyester	140°	-40°							Full Color (CMYK)	Yes	Gloss, Non-Glare	.005010
	Hard-Coated Polycarbonate	270°	-211°							Full Color (CMYK)	Yes	Gloss, Non-Glare, Matte	.005030

^{*} This chart is intended for general guidelines only. Durability of the image is directly related to the inks or dyes used and printing method. Users must test products in the specific environment anticipated. Metalphoto of Cincinnati does not warrant performance of its materials in any environment.



