# CHEMTRONICS® Technical Data Sheet

TDS # CW2900

### CircuitWorks® Flex Conductive Pen

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

CircuitWorks® Flex Conductive Pen makes instant highly adherent silver traces on flexible polymeric substrates used in flex circuitry. CW2900 is used in prototype, rework and repair of Mylar<sup>®</sup>, Melinex<sup>®</sup>, and flexible circuits by linking components, repairing defective traces, and making smooth jumpers. The Flex Conductive Pen traces also have excellent adherence to Indium Tin Oxide (ITO) substrates. The silver traces dry in minutes and have excellent mechanical properties.

- Single component system
- Highly adherent/flexible polymer
- Fast drying
- Excellent electrical conductivity
- Operating temperature to 212°F (100°C)

#### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

CircuitWorks® Conductive Pen may be used for electronics applications including:

- Circuit Trace Repair
- Solderless Linking of Components
- EMI Shielding
- Grounding
- Quick Prototype Modifications

### TYPICAL PRODUCT DATA AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Composition		
Material	Silver Filled Polymer	
Silver Particle Size	< 20 microns	
Color	Silver Gray	
Properties		
Conductivity	0.05-0.15 ohms/sq/mil	
Max. Temperature	212°F (100°C)	
Tack-Free Time @ 25°C	5 Minutes	
Cure Time @ 25°C	1 Hour	
Cure Time @ 80°C	15 Minutes	
Electrical Conductivity	Excellent	
Tape Adhesion	Excellent	
Flexibility	Excellent	
Chemical Resistance	Very Good	
Shelflife	12 months	

#### **COMPATIBILITY**

CircuitWorks® Flex Conductive Pen material has excellent compatibility with materials used in flexible circuit board fabrication. As with any chemical system, compatibility with the substrate must be determined on a non-critical area prior to use.

#### **USAGE INSTRUCTIONS**

Read MSDS carefully prior to use.

**Cleaning:** For best adhesion, clean board with Chemtronics Electro-Wash<sup>®</sup> PX Cleaner Degreaser in order to remove any surface contamination which may prevent adequate material contact.

**Mixing:** Although this system has been formulated to resist hard-packing, it should be shaken vigorously for 30 seconds to insure the proper dispersion of the silver flakes. If pen has been allowed to sit idle for a long period of time, the mixing ball may seize in the barrel. To free the ball use force to tap the barrel end of the pen until the ball begins to move inside the pen.

**Application:** The conductive ink is dispensed through the CircuitWorks<sup>®</sup> Flex Conductive Pen. Squeezing the pen body while pressing down on the surface will allow the material to flow, enabling the trace to be drawn. Practice with the pen before attempting detail work.

**Thinning:** The conductive ink has been optimized for the CircuitWorks<sup>®</sup> Flex Conductive Pen and thinning is not normally necessary. However, a small amount of Butyl Acetate may be added with thorough mixing to make slight adjustments for ease of application for other dispensing systems.

**Clean-up/Removal:** The conductive ink may be cleaned or removed using a strong organic solvent such as acetone or Chemtronics<sup>®</sup> Electro-Wash<sup>®</sup> Two-Step.

**Curing:** Tack-free in about 5 minutes at room temperature. Achieves electrical conductivity within 15 minutes. Heat cure for 15 minutes at 80 to 90°C for maximum conductivity, durability and chemical resistance.

#### **AVAILABILITY**

CW2900 8.5 g (0.3 oz.) Pen

## TECHNICAL & APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

Chemtronics<sup>®</sup> provides a technical hotline to answer your technical and application related questions. The toll free number is: **1-800-TECH-401.** 

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