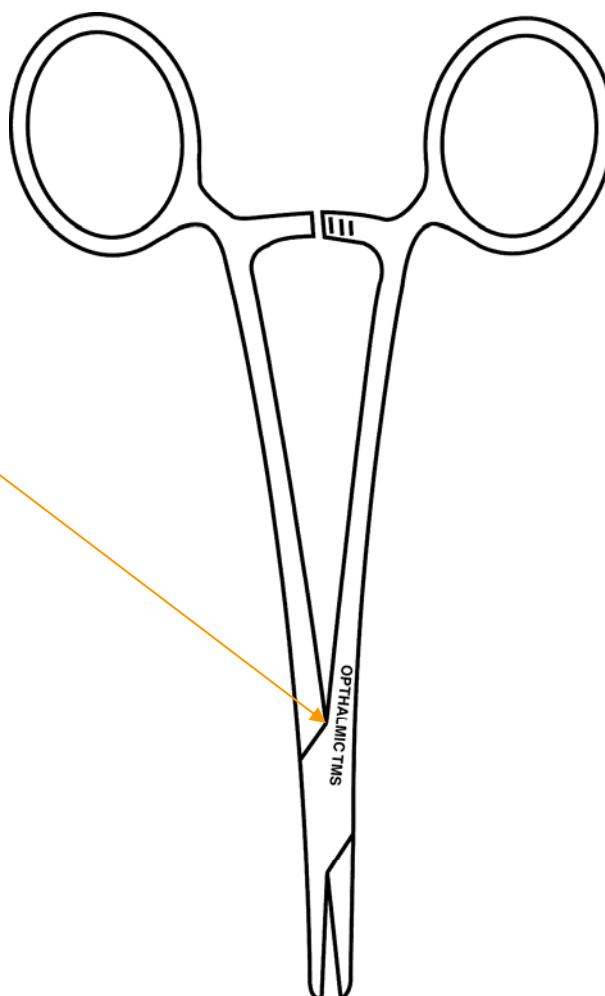




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## **What's the difference between the paper stencils and the permanent stencils?**

There are 2 types of stencils used with the Trend Marking Systems instrument marking package:

### **1. "Fibre" (short-life paper) stencils.**

*Last 5-10 etchings per stencil. Messages can be created on the paper stencil by the user by writing or typing on the stencil (via a dot-matrix printer or impact typewriter). Types of fibre stencils include: PT stencil tape. Blue & Yellow stencil paper.*

### **2. "Permanent" (long-life plastic) stencils.**

*Made with a special plastic mesh. Each message or logo printed on this mesh lasts 1000-3000 etchings per stencil. Messages are pre-printed on the stencil by Trend (cannot be printed by the user). Types of permanent stencils include: Permanent Stencil strips, Variable-numbering stencil, Alphanumeric Combination Sheet.*

## **What are Permanent Stencil Strips?**

Hospitals often need to identify their different instruments by trays/specialities/departments. Therefore the same message often needs to be etched many times over onto a number of different instruments.

An example of a message is: TPH THEATRES, where "TPH" is the initials of the hospital. More examples of hospital's strips are provided on the last page.

You could re-print this same message a number of times onto the disposable fibre stencils, but the long-life permanent stencils is a more convenient alternative. Therefore Trend prints a list of the messages you need for your hospital onto the permanent stencil material and you can re-use these messages many times over.

## **How long do they last?**

Each message (ie; each line) on your permanent stencil strip can etch up to 3000 times!

## **How many messages can I fit on one strip?**

Depending on the size of the text you'd prefer, we can fit 25-30 messages (lines) on one strip.

**Have a look at the examples on the next page.**

## ***I don't need 30 messages. This is too many for what I need.***

Don't worry. We can also supply short strips of only about 12 messages per strip. You can still specify what text sizes you want.

## **What text sizes can I use?**

The standard size we use is 1.5mm [SAMPLE 1.5mm TEXT]. We find this is still quite readable and fits easily on the handles of instruments. However, we can easily do a bit bigger also such as 2mm [SAMPLE 2mm TEXT] or 3mm [SAMPLE 3mm TEXT] – or practically any size you'd prefer. We can also easily mix the different sizes on the same strip, say if some messages were for etching instruments, the other messages were for labelling stainless steel trolleys.

The only thing to remember is that if the larger the text, the fewer lines we can fit on a standard strip. So instead of 30 messages (1.5mm) you will get 28 messages (2mm) or 24 messages (3mm)

**Have a look at the examples on the next page.**



(Standard size)

SIZE: 1.5mm (6 pt)  
30 messages (lines) per strip

SIZE: 2.0mm (8 pt)  
28 messages (lines) per strip

SIZE: 3.0mm (11.5 pt)  
24 messages (lines) per strip

SIZE: MIXED (various)  
Messages (lines) per strip vary



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## **How do I send you my list of messages?**

After you have sat down & brainstormed the messages you will need, simply fax (02-96297535) or email (trend@trendmarking.com.au) the list to us. We prefer email because there is less chance of us making a typing error with the messages you provide, but a faxed list is fine as well.

Let us know the size you prefer. If you don't specify a size, we will use 1.5mm by default.

## **What happens after I send you my list of messages?**

Once we have your list we'll type them to scale on a draft page first. We'll then send you this page by fax or email to check. If you have any changes, let us know, otherwise you need to sign your approval on the sheet and fax it back to us so that we can proceed in making your stencil strips.

## **How long does it take to get the stencils after we approve the artwork?**

Stencils take 2-4 weeks to produce. For this reason, we actually supply a duplicate strip of the messages you order (this is included in the price) so that you can keep one strip somewhere as a spare.

IF you choose to, you can decide to NOT get the duplicate strip, but to provide another set of messages instead. In this case you'll have no backup strip.

## **How do I use the Permanent Stencil Strips once I get them?**



All the different types of stencils are used in the same way, whether disposable or permanent. Simply align the line of text you want to mark over the area on the instrument you want to etch and press the marking head down onto it for 2-3 seconds.

## **What is the quality of the etched mark when using the Permanent Stencil Strips?**



The quality is excellent. Permanent stencils are what the instrument manufacturers use to mark their brands on the instruments.

The difference between a disposable stencil and a permanent stencil is like the difference between an inkjet and a laser printer. Usually sharper and clearer.

## **Is the etched mark more durable than using the other stencils?**

Not really, usually there is no real difference in how deep the mark goes. Sometimes it *might* be because if the disposable paper stencils are not printed properly, or printed using a thin font.

## **How much do the strips cost?**

Contact Trend (02-96299535) and we will give you a price for the strips you need.

# Hospital; Stencil Strip examples

Actual examples of hospital stencils ordered by various customers



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- SWPH ANAESTHETIC
- SWPH GENERAL
- SWPH GYNAE
- SWPH ORTHO
- SWPH ENT
- SWPH CATARACT
- SWPH EXTRA OC
- SWPH VASCULAR
- SWPH MERRIMAN
- SWPH DENTAL
- SWPH UROLOGY
- SWPH KARINYA
- SWPH DPC
- SAMSON
- HILLDORF
- McCLAREN
- LUCKMAS
- FRANCIS
- SWPH
- SWPH THEATRE
- SWPH PLASTICS
- SWPH SMALL FRAG
- SWPH BASIC INST
- SWPH BARONI
- SWPH ALTARNA
- SWPH AMARU
- SWPH CCU
- SWPH BMI
- KHARTOUM
- BEN STEADMAN

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- GHS TRAY 1
- GHS TRAY 2
- GHS TRAY 3
- GHS TRAY 4
- GHS TRAY 5
- GHS TRAY 6
- GHS TRAY 7
- GHS TRAY 8
- GHS SET 1
- GHS SET 2
- GHS SET 3
- GHS SET 4
- GHS SET 5
- GHS SET 6
- GHS SET 7
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- GHS NO 3
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- GHS NO 11
- GHS NO 12

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- BRHS ORTHO
- GENERAL 1
- GENERAL 2
- GENERAL 3
- D & C 1
- D & C 2
- D & C 3
- D & C 4
- D & C 5
- LOCAL 1
- LOCAL 2
- LOCAL 3
- LOCAL 4
- LOCAL 5
- LOCAL 6
- LOCAL 7
- LOCAL 8
- EMERG
- REHAB
- SURGICAL
- MED PAEDS
- MIDWIFERY
- RADIOLOGY
- PODIATRY
- DNS
- DENTAL
- OMEQ

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- MBH SURG**
- MBH EMERG**
- MBH ICU CCU**
- MBH WHU**
- MBH CAU**
- MBH OPD**

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