

Technical Notes

Wiper Blade Maintenance

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Applicable Models: AnaJet FP-125 printer series

Maintenance of the wiper blade is essential for your printer to run properly. The function of the wiper blade is to clean the print head nozzle plate. A nozzle plate that is dirty or has not been cleaned properly will lead to clogged nozzles and a damaged printhead. We recommend that the wiper blade is cleaned at least once a week. At times it will be necessary to pull the wiper blade out from its sleeve in order to give it a more thorough cleaning. Be aware that the CYMK ink mixes and dries a dark black color, and when dried on the wiper blade, it will be difficult to notice. After the wiper blade is removed, the dried ink can often be peeled off from the wiper blade like a second skin. It is essential that this kind of ink build-up be prevented.

To remove the wiper blade you must access the maintenance station. In addition you will need a small flathead screwdriver. Slide the end of the screwdriver between the white plastic sleeve and the wiper blade. **Warning**: do not remove the white plastic sleeve, just the black rubber wiper blade. Also be careful not damage any of the plastic parts by using force.

It is best to insert the flathead of the screwdriver on the left side of the wiper blade (the opposite side of the waste ink pads). Create separation between the wiper blade and the sleeve by using the screwdriver to pry the wiper blade sleeve open slightly to unhook the wiper blade from the two teeth on the sleeve. With you other hand; gently pull up on the wiper blade.

After the wiper blade is cleaned it should fit back in the sleeve easily. Make sure that the wiper blade is re-inserted evenly and the curved lip of the wiper blade is facing the waste ink pads. Once the wiper blade is in and is level, pull up on it gently. If the wiper blade stays in place, it has been re-inserted properly.

