

RIBtype® interlocking ribbed-rubber type provides the ultimate in printing flexibility. It prints date codes on food packaging, model numbers on manufactured products and bold messages on corrugated boxes.

RIBtype® can be used in hand stamps, conveyor-line printers and reciprocating coders. Ribs on the back of the type interlock with ribs on the marking device for fast message changes.

Type assortments and date sets are economical and allow users to compose their own messages. Custom RIBtype® makes the finest imprints.

For unmatched quality, service and value, insist on RIBtype®.



## STANDARD RIBTYPE® TYPESTYLES & SIZES

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STYLE & SIZE	TYPE SAMPLE showing approximate	Type Face	No. of	Similar to other	STYLE &	TYPE SAMPLE showing approximate	Type Face	No. of	Similar to other
	characters per inch	Height	Ribs	Nos.	SIZE	characters per inch RIBTYPE 12345	Height 1/8"	Ribs	Nos.
A7	RIBTYPE 123456789012	1/16" 1.59mm 5/64"	2	07	U70 U71	RIBTYPE 12345	3.18mm 5/32"	2	070
A8	RIBTYPE 1234567	1.98mm 7/64"	2	08	U72	RIBTY 123	3.97mm 3/16"	2	072
A9	RIBTYPE 12345	2.78mm 1/8*	2	09			4.76mm 1/4"		
A10	RIBTYPE 123	3.18mm 9/64"	2	010	U73	<b>RIBT 123</b>	6.35mm	2	073
A11	RIBTYP 123	3.57mm 9/64"	2	011	G73	RIBTYP 123	1/4" 6.35mm	2	073C
B11	RIBTYPE 123456	3.57mm 3/16"	2	011C	U74	RIRT12	5/16"	3	074
A12 B12	DIDTVDE 122	4.76mm 3/16" 4.76mm	2	012 012C		DIDTY 10	7.94mm		
	DIDTV1	4.76mm 1/4*			G74	KIBIY 12	5/16" 7.94mm	3	074C
A13	KIBITI	6.35mm	3	013	U75	<b>RIB23</b>	3/8"	3	075
B13	KIRIA 15	1/4" 6.35mm	2	013C	0/5	MIDZO	9.53mm		
A14	RIB12	5/16" 7.94mm	3	014	G75	RIBT12	3/8" 9.53mm	3	075C
B14	RIBTY3	5/16* 7.94mm	3	014C	U76	<b>RI13</b>	1/2" 12.7mm	4	076
A15	RIB3	3/8 <b>"</b> 9.53mm	3	015		DID10	1/2"		0760
B15	RIBT4	3/8" 9.53mm	3	015C	G76	KID IZ	12.7mm	4	076C
A15 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	R14	7/16* 11.1mm	4	0151/2	U77	RI3	5/8" 15.9mm	5	077W
A16	RI2	1/2* 12.7mm	4	016	G77	RIR1	5/8" 15.9mm	5	077
B16	RA-3	1/2* 12.7mm	4	016C			2/4"		
A17	R2	5/8" 15.9mm	5	017	U78	KZ	3/4" 19.0mm	6	078W
B17	RA1	5/8" 15.9mm	5	017C	G78	KI3	3/4" 19.0mm	6	078
A18	R1	3/4" 19.0mm	6	018	U79	R1	15/16" 23.8mm	7	
B18	R-1	3/4" 19.0mm	6	018C	G79	R3	15/16" 23.8mm	7	079

### TYPE SETS

Assortments of RIBtype® characters are available in letter/figure "T" sets and in numbers-only "F" sets. The 4 standard typestyles A, B, U and G are shown on this page. Typestyle "A" is an open-face, clean-printing typestyle. Typestyle "B" is a condensed version for use when space is limited. Bold face styles include style "U" and the more condensed style "G". To order, select the desired typestyle and size from the chart. Add the prefix "T" for a letter/number set (TA10, for example). Add the prefix "F" for a figures-only set (FA10, for example). Value Pack figure sets have 3 times the number of figures in one box for added cost savings. Type is normally supplied in natural rubber, but it is also available in black Buna, PVC or Silicone for special applications. Other type styles and sizes are available.

# INDIVIDUAL RIBTYPE® CHARACTERS

Also known as "sorts", individual RIBtype® characters can be ordered when only a few characters are required. When uncertain of the size or typestyle, it is best to supply an unused character with a distinct top and bottom (A, P, R, 4, 5).



Letter/number assortments are

Other typestyles and larger sizes are available. See price list for assortment charts.



## **LOGOTYPE**

A logotype - or "logo" - is a single line of characters molded in one piece (a word, trademark or code, for instance). Logos provide superior quality impressions over combinations of single characters because of uniform typeface wear. They also save time and minimize costly spelling and coding errors. Orders should indicate character size, style and maximum length, if space is limited.



assortments and numbers-only stocked and ready to ship.

## **MULTI-LINE MATS**

Multi-line mats are two or more lines of copy on a single piece. This is the best choice when large blocks of copy do not change. Special designs, trademarks and typestyles can be combined. When only part of the copy changes, cut-outs or notches can be made in the mat to allow for quick modifications using RIBtype® logos or individual characters. Orders should specify overall size, typestyles and sizes desired. "Proofs" can be provided before mats are cast. Large RIBtype® mats can be pressed into place more easily if the ribs are dampened or sprayed lightly with water. If overdone, mats may move when printing.

# CUSTOM MOLDING

TYPESTYLES, TRADEMARKS AND SPECIAL DESIGNS

Custom RIBtype® products can be manufactured in a variety of typestyles in addition to the standard four styles shown on the Typestyles and Sizes chart. Special designs or trademarks also can be easily incorporated into logos or

multi-line mats. For optimum results, it is best to supply black and white, camera ready art.

#### **MIRROR IMAGE**

Reverse-reading "mirror image" characters are used in offset equipment when the RIBtype® does not print directly on the object. Mirror image is also used when printing on the inside of clear packaging. Mirror image assortments and custom products are available at an extra charge.

#### RIB DIRECTION

RIBtype® is furnished in

standard (horizontal) rib
unless specified otherwise.
Standard ribs run the same
direction as the characters or
words appearing on the face
of the type.
Vertical ribs
run
at right
angles
(top to bottom)
to the characters
or words on the face

of the type. Vertical ribs are

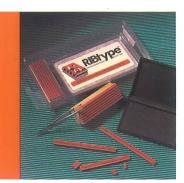
also known as "reverse tie

knots".

#### RUBBER CHOICES

Natural rubber RIBtype® is best for general purpose use with water-based or alcohol-based inks. Assortments are stocked in natural rubber with a standard hardness of 55-durometer, Softer 30-durometer rubber can be supplied. Natural rubber RIBtype® has a distinctive red face with gray ribs. Buna RIBtype® is recommended for use with oil-based inks. Inks made with hydro-carbon derivatives will cause natural rubber to swell. Buna is black with a standard hardness of 50-durometer. It is also available in harder 90-durometer or softer 30-durometer material. PVC is flexible plastic material that does not transfer ink as well as natural rubber but provides greater durability in some applications. It is also excellent for printing on film with reciprocating printers. Silicone RIBtype®, because of its high heat tolerance, is the material of choice for hot ink transfer printers.







## RIBBED BASE SHEETS

RIBtype® base material is attached to printing devices to hold the type. It can be adhered to coders, print wheels, print heads and hand stamps. Standard base sheet sizes are 7 1/4" x 17" and 14" x 18". The ribs run in the long direction. Base material can also be ordered in custom sizes or in the form of coder rings. The standard thickness is .155", but special thicknesses are available. The back is plain unless adhesive backing is specified.

### **OFFICE SETS**

Each set includes a rib-base stamp mount, ink pad, tweezers and RIBtype® letter/number set to allow you to make your own hand stamp. Ideal for emergency use or when changeable copy is required. Sets are available in typestyles A10, A11, A12, A13 and more.

## RIBTYPE® SELF-INKERS

This rib-based self-inking stamp allows users to set their own copy then change it as needed with RIBtype® sets or logos. Orders should specify impression area.

# RIBTYPE® ROCKER AND HAND STAMPS

These can be custom made to any size with rib-base cushion to hold RIBtype® characters, logos or mats. Rocker stamps are recommended for large print areas.

# ONE YEAR DATE CODE SETS

One-piece logos for each day of the year make for quality impressions every time. These print much better than individual characters because they are precision molded as one piece and all characters wear evenly as they print. One-piece logos are less likely to pop out of the ribs than single characters, and there is less risk of operator set-up errors.

Dates are also in logo form,

one each of 1 through 31.

01 through 31 (new!).

DCA10-SB1L SELL BY JAN 01

DCA10 UB1L USE BY JAN 01

DCA10 JULIAN 001 - 366

DCA12-SB2L SELL BY JUL 16

DCA10-MD1L SEP 22

DCSP-SB3L SELL BY DEC 31

## COMPLETE DATE SETS

These off-the-shelf assortments contain one each of the months and six consecutive years in single-piece logo form.

DA-10 MAR 25 2003

DA-11 MAR 26 2003

DBA-13 MAR 2 / 2003

MAR 28 2003 JAN 29 2003

# **QUALITY ASSURANCE**

RIBtype® is made of premium quality rubber or synthetic materials according to customer requirements. Type is manufactured to a thickness of .210",  $\pm$  .003", the most exacting tolerances in the industry...guaranteed. This ensures uniform type thicknesses for the best impressions. The alignment of our type meets the same exacting tolerances. The "ribs" on RIBtype® are symmetrical and perfectly matched to the ribs on RIBtype® base sheets. This precision fit helps ensure that the type seats uniformly and stays in place during printing.