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Pantone 19-4008 TCX Smart Color Swatch Card User Manual

1. INTRODUCTION

The Pantone 19-4008 TCX Smart Color Swatch Card provides a precise and consistent method for selecting, specifying, and communicating color choices in textile and design applications. This individual fabric swatch card, in the color Meteorite, serves as a benchmark standard for color reproduction and evaluation.



This image displays the Pantone 19-4008 TCX Smart Color Swatch Card. The swatch is folded, revealing the rich Meteorite color. Visible on the card are the Pantone color name and number strips, essential for accurate color identification and communication.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW AND FEATURES

Key features of the Pantone 19-4008 TCX Smart Color Swatch Card include:

- **Material:** 100% Cotton Poplin construction.
- **Origin:** Manufactured in the USA.
- **Accuracy:** Provides the most accurate and effective way to communicate and specify color choices to clients and manufacturers.

- **Coordination:** Swatch Cards of the same color can be sent to multiple production sites around the globe, aiding in the coordination of multi-component programs.
- **Consistency:** Ensures consistent, reproducible color.
- **Color Constancy:** Optimized for color constancy.
- **Durability:** Features durable colors formulated to maximize color fastness.
- **Dimensions:** Double-folded fabric measures 4-inch x 4-inch, unfolding to 4-inch x 8-inch for optimal color visualization and instrumental evaluation.
- **Identification:** Each card includes four PANTONE Color name and number strips, allowing a portion to be cut for design or merchandising tools while retaining identification.
- **Versatility:** The loose, unbaked design facilitates direct comparison with skin tones and other materials.

3. SETUP

The Pantone Smart Color Swatch Card is ready for immediate use upon receipt. No assembly or special preparation is required. Handle the swatch card by its edges to prevent transfer of oils or dirt to the fabric surface.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

To effectively use your Pantone 19-4008 TCX Smart Color Swatch Card:

1. **Color Selection:** Hold the swatch card against the material or design you wish to match or coordinate. Observe the color under various lighting conditions (e.g., daylight, artificial light) to ensure accurate perception.
2. **Color Specification:** Use the PANTONE Color name and number (19-4008 TCX Meteorite) printed on the card to precisely communicate the desired color to designers, manufacturers, and clients.
3. **Color Evaluation:** The unfolded 4-inch x 8-inch fabric provides ample surface area for visual and instrumental color evaluation. Compare the swatch directly with production samples to verify color accuracy.
4. **Material Comparison:** The unbaked fabric allows for direct comparison with other materials and textures, aiding in comprehensive design decisions.
5. **Sharing:** If portions of the swatch are needed for different departments or partners, carefully cut along the provided PANTONE Color name and number strips. Ensure each piece retains the color identification.

5. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

To maintain the integrity and accuracy of your Pantone Smart Color Swatch Card:

- **Storage:** Store the swatch card flat in a clean, dry environment away from direct sunlight, excessive heat, or humidity. Prolonged exposure to light can cause color fading.
- **Handling:** Avoid touching the fabric surface directly with bare hands to prevent oil and dirt transfer. Use clean gloves if frequent handling is required.
- **Cleaning:** Do not wash or clean the fabric swatch. Any cleaning agents or water can alter the color and texture.
- **Protection:** Keep the swatch card in its original packaging or a protective sleeve to prevent dust accumulation and physical damage.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your Pantone Smart Color Swatch Card:

- **Color Discrepancy:** If the color appears different from expected, ensure you are viewing it under standardized lighting conditions. Different light sources can significantly alter color perception.
- **Damage:** If the fabric is torn or stained, the swatch card's accuracy may be compromised. Consider replacing damaged cards to ensure reliable color communication.
- **Fading:** Fading typically occurs due to prolonged exposure to light. Store cards properly to prevent this. If a card has faded, it should be replaced.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Detail
Brand	Pantone
Model Number	19-4008 TCX
Color	Meteorite
Material	100% Cotton Poplin
Swatch Dimensions (folded)	4 x 4 inches
Swatch Dimensions (unfolded)	4 x 8 inches
Item Weight	0.16 ounces
Product Dimensions	5.6 x 5 x 0.01 inches
UPC	848826025513
Specific Uses	Color selection, specification, communication for fabric/textile
Finish Type	Flat
Item Form	Solid

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For product support, warranty information, or to inquire about replacement swatch cards, please contact Pantone directly through their official website or customer service channels. Refer to the model number **19-4008 TCX** when seeking assistance.

You can visit the official Pantone website for more information: www.pantone.com