Remaking plates

If you need to remake a plate, you can do so using the Plate Remake tool. This enables you to remake a plate using the same settings and output device that were used to output the original plate.

For example, suppose that you are printing a job at night and notice that one of the plates that was made during the day shift is damaged. You can use the Plate Remake tool to quickly remake the plate without needing to know how to use Workshop or what settings the day shift operator used to make the original plate, and without opening the job or modifying any process templates. The new plate is output using the settings that were applied when the original plate was made, including being output to the same device that was originally used.

Plate information is kept for 30 days, so you can remake a plate using the Plate Remake tool for up to 30 days after the original plate was output.

To remake a plate using the Plate Remake tool, you must know the identification number of the plate.

Note: For a unique identification number to be printed on a plate for possible remake later, the variable mark $[PlateID] must be included in one of the following locations:

- The imposition marks file that was imported with the imposition
- The sheet marks file specified in the Marks section of the imposition output or final output process template
- The Slugline mark box in the Marks section of the imposition output or final output process template.

1. Start Workshop.
2. In Job Finder, select Tools > Plate Remake.
3. In the Plate Remake dialog box, in the Plate ID box, type the identification number of the plate that you want to remake.
   The Plate Details box is automatically populated with information about the plate—for example, the job, imposition, signature, surface, and separation.
4. In the Work Type list, select the reason why you are remaking the plate.
   Note: The work type applies only if you have Link software set up to work with Prinergy.
5. If you want to customize the work type, click Edit. For information about customizing the work type, see Customizing work types.
   You cannot change any other settings that were used to make the original plate. For example, you cannot change the output device.
6. Click OK.
   The plate is output to the device specified in the process template that was used to output the original plate.