



Binding Options: Plasticoil Binding

What is Plasticoil Binding?

Spiralasticoil binding is a continuous PVC (plastic) filament formed into the shape of a spring.

Spiral coil is spun, or threaded, into the document along evenly spaced round holes that have been punched into the pages of the document. The multiple-hole format makes the binding extra strong and the coil “memory” resists bends or dents.

Benefits of choosing spiral coil for your publications include:

Flexibility: The ability for the spiral coils to “remember” their shape make it an ideal solution for documents that will be frequently handled or sent through the mail. The alternate punch binding, Wir-o-binding is a twin loop wire binding can be come deformed if bent or crushed.

Rotation: Plasticoil binding creates a permanent lie-flat document, allowing users to lay them completely flat on a table, or rotate the pages 360 degrees for easy copying and note taking. This feature makes spiral coil a popular choice for notebooks, calendars and training manuals.

Color Choices: Spiral coils are available in a variety of standard colors. Coil can also be ordered to match PMS colors, however minimum quantities and extended timeframes are required. Printers typically stock basic black and white coil, with other standard colors requiring a special order.

Available Sizes: Spiral coils are available in sizes ranging from 6mm up to 50mm. This means that coil can be used for documents that are as small as a few pages and as large as 450 pages thick. Although all of these sizes are available, it is important to note that large size coils are somewhat difficult to work with (picture trying to put a slinky on the edge of a book). Spiral coil is much easier to apply on books that are less than 1” thick.

Cost: Spiral coils are inexpensive to purchase. However, the punch and insertion of the coil into the book block does require a combination of automated and hand bindery labor. Even with the labor required, the cost per book forasticoil binding is one of the lowest of all available punch bound styles.

