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Endurance test confirms Wacom Signature Pad surfaces are extremely robust

Wacom STU-530 glass surface remains maintenance-free after 20 years

Krefeld, 1st October 2014. Hundreds of electronic signatures are frequently made on signature tablets every day. Now, an endurance test on the Wacom STU-530 Pad confirms that modern input surfaces are extremely robust. Even after 500,000 signatures, the hardened glass covering the LCD screen of the device weighing just 289 g showed no visible signs of scratches or damage. The investigation by the SGS Group, the world's leader in inspection, testing, verification and certification, revealed that the quality of the glass surface of the Wacom pads was virtually the same as before the hardness test. "This durability is unique in the market and a core requirement of companies using Signature Pads," claims Peter Sommer, Vice President of Corporate Solutions, Wacom Europe.

Signature Pads have extremely long service life

Wacom Signature Pad users can therefore assume that their devices will work problem-free for a long time. Based on the typical use of Signature Pads, the SGS endurance test revealed a lifetime of 20 years without damage to the signature area, i.e. if a signature is made around a hundred times a day on the Wacom STU-530 to authorise



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payments or accept deliveries, the input surface will remain maintenance-free for two decades. "For users, this lifetime of Wacom Signature Pads represents a solid investment and a high return," explains Sommer.

Signature Pad has undergone intensive testing

In order to test the surface quality of the Wacom Signature Pad, SGS created a realistic test environment. Various signatures and signature styles were manually copied and written over the entire surface of the LCD screen. The pressure of over 500,000 signatures corresponded to the typical behaviour of people. The initial status and the results during and after the test were documented as photographs and via laser scanning microscopy.

About Wacom

Wacom Europe GmbH is a subsidiary of Wacom Company, Ltd. (Tokyo Stock Exchange 6727). Subsidiaries and local offices worldwide take care of marketing and sales in over 150 countries. Bringing the vision, people and technology closer together using natural input technologies, Wacom has become a leading manufacturer of pen tablets, interactive pen displays and digital interface solutions. Numerous banks, insurance, telecommunications and retail companies use the technology of Wacom's intuitive devices. They have also been used to create some of the world's most spectacular digital artworks, films, special effects and designs and provide commercial and private users with user-friendly devices with which they can express their personality. Millions of customers use



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Wacom's cordless and battery-free pressure-sensitive pen technology. The company also offers manufacturers in the growth markets its products as OEM solutions. Feel IT Technologies, Wacom's interface technology, is available as an integrated solution.

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The surfaces of Wacom signature pads are extremely robust. A long-term test with Wacom's STU-530, mid 2014 by the SGS Group Germany, showed: even after 500,000 signatures, there were neither visible scratches nor damages on the tempered glass guarding the LCD screen.