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Introduction

This document is applicable to marking pens for documentary use.

For documentary use, some requirements are necessary:

- a) to assure the legibility of lettering;
- b) for the handling and storage of documents over long periods of time (these requirements are often discussed with the archivist).

An example of documentary use is the preparation of documents that are required as evidence.

Furthermore, pens which meet the requirements for documentary use produce written lines which are more resistant to modification (e.g. attempts to falsify a document) than ordinary marking pens.

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