

Shelf Check Card

Ten seconds before you pay for sublimation paper

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The Label Test

MUST SAY BOTH

- ✓ "Sublimation"
- ✓ "Works with sublimation ink"

PUT IT BACK IF IT SAYS

- ✗ Iron-on / ironing
- ✗ Light vs. dark fabric
- ✗ Works on cotton

Four Things You Might Grab Instead

Iron-On Transfer Paper

Works with regular ink, sits on cotton. Wrong ink, wrong fabric.

Heat Transfer Vinyl (HTV)

A cut-and-press material, not something you print on at all.

Infusible Ink Sheets

Cricut's pre-printed transfers. Similar chemistry, can't print your design.

Protective / Butcher Paper

Goes between the press and your project. Never carries a design.

Where to Buy at a Glance

Retailer	Availability	Best For
Hobby Lobby	In store + online	Same-day, small packs
Michaels	In store + online	Same-day, coupons
Office Depot / Staples	Store pickup + ship	Brother printer owners
Walmart	Mostly marketplace	Brand names, if you can wait
Amazon / suppliers	Shipped only	Bulk, largest sheet sizes

Which Trip Are You On?

- **Need it today:** Hobby Lobby or Michaels first. Call ahead.
- **Testing before committing:** Smallest pack you can find, nearest store.
- **Regular small batches:** Online, one brand you've tested, stick with it.
- **Buying at volume:** Dedicated supplier. Vet before you commit.

Store assortments change. If something on the shelf looks different from this card, trust the label test above the card.