

# Computer controlled cutter means more numbers and less wastage for Kayospruce

Blackman and White, the UK's only manufacturer of industrial flatbed cutting machines have installed and commissioned a Genesis 2100 automated precision flatbed cutter for Fareham-based Kayospruce.

One of the UK's largest suppliers of specialised outdoor textile materials and ancillaries for boats, tents, marquees and awnings, Kayospruce



have seen a significant growth in demand for pre-cut numbers and letters from sailmakers and chandlers.

Kayospruce's technical manager Peter Baines commented, "We used to cut sail numbers and letters using a system that required metal templates for each character which was both labour intensive and time consuming."



The Genesis automated cutter locks the material in place on a vacuum bed while a computer controlled blade cuts the material to a programmed pattern which calculates the most efficient layout. This minimises any wastage of material and cutting materials at speeds of up to 1500mm/sec dramatically reduces production time.

Baines added, "As the new cutter is software driven it means it's quick and easy to set up, to change patterns or to scale up. The greater speed and efficiency means we can now

respond to customer demands much more quickly while markedly reducing the wastage of material that we experienced with the manual system."

The Genesis 2100 cutter is versatile as it can be used for cutting a wide range of standard woven, vinyl, PVC and adhesive backed materials. The cutting head can also be configured with a laser or self sharpening, oscillating blades for cutting other more demanding materials.

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## **Editor's Notes**

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