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# DTC550 Direct-to-Card Printer/Encoder



ACCESS versatility.

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## The right choice for easy printing, encoding and laminating ID cards across your organization.

### Think of it as the workhorse of card printers.

Most organizations today need a secure way to create ID cards. They also need an easy way to distribute them, and the flexibility to accommodate changes and growth. They need the Fargo DTC550.

The Fargo DTC550 Direct-to-Card Printer/Encoder is exceptionally hardworking. Its heavy-duty construction makes it the right choice for high-volume card printing and encoding, allowing you to quickly print a variety of cards for multiple applications. You can even add an extra layer of durability with the optional Lamination Module, and extra security to your cards with holographic Visual Security Solutions™. The DTC550 is versatile, able to deliver the level of personalization and functionality your organization demands. And it's surprisingly simple to use, with easy set up and intuitive operation, including a user-friendly SmartScreen™ to monitor print status.

### Flexible design protects your organization – and your investment.

Change is a constant in organizations, and the DTC550 gives you tremendous flexibility

whenever you need to reconfigure your ID card issuance system. The DTC550 is one of the most versatile ID card printers available, handling a wide range of secure ID card applications; from on-demand photo IDs, to high-volume customer loyalty cards, to sophisticated access cards with embedded electronics.

The DTC550 produces high-quality ID cards using two different Direct-to-Card (DTC®) printing methods: dye-sublimation for vivid colors and accurate photographic images, and resin thermal transfer for sharp black text and bar codes that can be easily read by infrared or visible light scanners.

You can order the DTC550 with either a single-sided or dual-sided print engine. With a variety of options, the DTC550 can save you time by printing, read/writing and laminating up to three different e-card technologies — plus magnetic stripe — all in a single pass. And that includes



**Physical Security:**  
The DTC550 produces access control cards for protecting facilities and secured areas like labs and server rooms.



**Versatility starts here.** A basic DTC550 uses Fargo's Direct-to-Card technology to print full-color, single- and dual-sided cards. Match specific needs with connectivity, lamination and e-card encoding options.



## DTC550 DIRECT-TO-CARD PRINTER/ENCODER

- 1 Lamination option adds an extra layer of security and durability to extend card life.
- 2 Incomplete or improperly encoded cards land in the Reject Card Hopper.
- 3 SmartScreen™ LCD Control Panel displays helpful status messages and prompts.
- 4 Dual Card Hopper allows printing on two different card stocks.
- 5 Encoding options handle magnetic stripe, prox, contactless and smart cards.
- 6 Ethernet port and internal print server enable secure network printing.

encoding smart cards and reading proximity cards. However your card issuance needs change, the DTC550 can adapt.

### Everywhere you need it.

The Fargo DTC550 is an ideal solution for issuing cards at multiple locations. With an Ethernet port and internal print server, you can install a DTC550 anywhere on a LAN. That gives greater freedom when you're planning widespread or high-volume card issuance for applications such as employee access cards, government and student IDs, customer loyalty and membership cards.

### Protecting against counterfeiters and physical damage.



**Tougher, more secure cards.**  
Overlaminates add durability and higher-level visual security features.

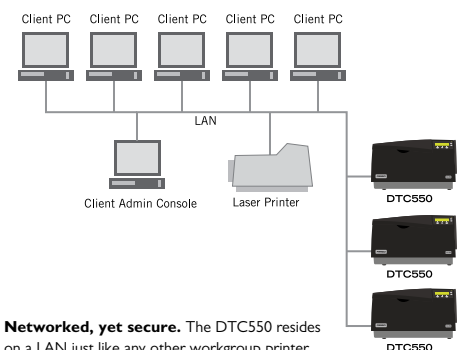
Add the optional Card Lamination Module to the DTC550, either factory-installed or as a field upgrade. Fargo Holographic Overlaminates give your cards a higher level of security protection and also add a layer of physical protection. They provide durability against swipe abrasion, prevent dye-migration (onto plastic card pouches, for example), and shield against

image-fading UV light. If your application requires secure cards that resist forgery and tampering, or if your cards are subject to extra physical wear, consider the optional Card Lamination Module.

### Easily integrates into your infrastructure.

A key feature of the DTC550 is that it plays well with everything else on your network. The DTC550 connects to your Windows®-based PC through its USB port. It can also be added to your network as easily as any workgroup printer. And its print driver provides bi-directional status information, so you can monitor and manage the DTC550 just as you would any other networked printer.

The DTC550 is fully compatible with most ID card issuance software including Fargo Asure ID® Photo ID software. Plus, Fargo can provide a software development kit that will help you integrate the DTC550 into other applications such as security systems and Human Resources databases.



**Networked, yet secure.** The DTC550 resides on a LAN just like any other workgroup printer.

