

KODAK i3450

Outstanding A3
Flatbed Low-Volume Production Scanner



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Combining the unique integrated flatbed design of the KODAK i2900 with the fast speeds and superb functionality of the enhanced KODAK i3400, the KODAK i3450 is a clear winner for this season's Pick recognition. The i3450, which offers rated speeds of 90 ppm (180 ipm) in black-and-white mode and 80 ppm (160 ipm) in color mode, earned better than average ratings for the majority of performance categories tested, including media handling. Aside from the built-in flatbed's space-saving design, it can also rise to accommodate books or other thick documents, and provides a book-edge feature that captures text that's close to the spine as a flat image rather than a curved image. The i3450 also offers a straight paper path for scanning thick or delicate items, a broader than average range of acceptable paper weights and sizes, and Intelligent Document Protection technology that senses when a document is being damaged and stops the scan process to allow for user intervention.

"Any organization looking for a high-speed, flatbed-equipped dedicated scanner would be hard pressed to find a better product than the KODAK i3450," said Lisa Reider, BLI's senior product editor for scanners. "Its robust media capabilities, intuitive software and easy to use hardware design help seasoned and novice users to process several thousand scans a day with ease."

The i3450 comes equipped with KODAK Smart Touch and KODAK Capture Pro Limited Edition, which provide a variety of advanced capture features, such as batch separation via barcodes, blank page or by page count; indexing via barcode, manual entry or drag-and-drop OCR functionality; and scanning to Microsoft SharePoint. Up to nine profiles can be created for frequently used operations. Via the bundled Custom Cloud Connector tool, users can add cloud solutions to the list of available destinations for custom workflows. Additional highlights include smaller than average color file sizes, the ability to scan one

job to multiple destinations and the ability to maintain scan speeds when changing settings or scanning in duplex mode.

“The i3450 Scanner is a compact device with huge performance, delivering consistent throughput to power through paper intensive processes. The space-saving integrated flatbed enables users to scan batches and exception documents with the same unit to achieve a new level of versatility and value. It can easily scan file folders, book pages, magazines, passports, torn documents, and with the unique book edge scanning feature, it can scan the full width of book pages with complete clarity,” said Tony Barbeau, vice president and general manager, Kodak Alaris’ Document Imaging division.

Kodak Alaris allows users to replace the front transport roller—a part that typically requires a service call with other vendors. In addition, all user-replaceable rollers have significantly longer than average rated replacement yields, which helps reduce downtime and overall maintenance costs. Plus, its projected total cost of ownership is about 39 percent lower than average when compared with competitive units on the market. Based on its superb performance, substantial feature set and affordable price, BLI highly recommends the KODAK i3450 for large departments or low-volume production environments processing up to 20,000 pages a day.

About **BLI Pick Awards**

Twice a year with its “Pick” awards, BLI gives special recognition in each category to those products that provided the most outstanding performances in BLI’s exhaustive lab tests.

BLI’s awards stand alone in that they are based on a rigorous battery of lab tests that takes approximately two months to complete. The evaluation includes an extensive durability test, during a portion of which each unit is run at the manufacturer’s maximum duty cycle. BLI’s durability test is unique among office product evaluations and uniquely qualifies BLI to assess reliability, a critical factor for buyers and IT directors.

Other performance attributes evaluated include ease of use, media handling, productivity and value, among others. Each product that successfully passes BLI’s lab test earns BLI’s “Recommended” or “Highly Recommended” seal and a BLI “Certificate of Reliability” and the best performers qualify as “Pick” award contenders. Consequently, a BLI “Pick” is a hard-earned award that buyers and IT directors can trust to better guide them in their acquisition decisions.

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