



IFCO Approved Label Requirements

IFCO Label Compliance Overview

IFCO is committed to ensuring the safe transport of food products in our Reusable Plastic Containers (RPCs) and meeting current food labeling requirements. Within IFCO and the RPC industry at large, label compliance is a business-critical item. Below is the list of the **only** approved labels. The adhesives listed for the approved materials cannot be used with a different facestock, only the exact combination listed below is approved for use. This list is exclusive and will only be open for review on a semi-annual basis.

These labels are widely available through label vendors. Be specific and request by the product name listed below when ordering your RPC labels to ensure compliance. Labels and/or label providers found to not be one of the below listed labels will not be recommended for use. IFCO will notify parties found to be using non-compliant labels to cease and desist. Continued use of non-compliant labels that are found to damage the RPC or to impact the wash process will be held liable.

Adhesive & Substrate Combination Specification Requirements

Minimum Application Temperature	Temperature Service Range	Federal Regulation Approval	Federal Regulation Approval	Typical Adhesion Value Polypropylene	General Field Requirement	Substrate Requirement *See exceptions	RPC Wash Requirement
-20°F -28°C	20°F to 130°F -7°C to 54°C	FDA 21 CFR 175.105 Compliant "Indirect" = Yes	FDA 21 CFR 175.125 a & b Compliant "Direct" = NA	180° Peel: 2.5 lb./in	Must adhere to RPC for 28 days 95% of time	Need following options Film TT & DT Paper TT & DT	No damage to RPC No adhesive residue
					No larger than 4"x2"	If intended for 6408, 6411 or 6413 only film approved	Wash off on first pass
*If label is intended for hydro cooling then paper substrates not required as available option.							
*If label is intended to be fully dissolvable then film substrate not required as available option.							

Approved Adhesive/Substrate Combinations

Product Name	Substrate Name	Adhesive Name	FDA 21 CFR 175.105 Compliant "Indirect"	FDA 21 CFR 175.125 (a)(b) Compliant "Direct"	Substrate Type	Printing Type
UPM RAFLATAC SP184W	54# Raflacoat Paper	RP45	Yes	No	Paper	TT
UPM RAFLATAC DT209J	Thermal Eco 300 Paper	RP45	Yes	No	Paper	DT
UPM RAFLATAC DT92K*	Direct Thermal Top Retail Paper	RP48AT	Yes	No	Paper	DT
UPM RAFLATAC TT50F*	Transfer Premium Extra Paper	RP51	Yes	No	Paper	TT
MACTAC DTM0902**	Top Coated Paper	LT-20	Yes	No	Paper	DT
TECHNICOTE 86152**	White PP Film	AT333	Yes	No	Film	DT
TECHNICOTE 992601**	Matte White BOPP Film	AT333 HCWT	Yes	No	Film	TT
TECH-LABEL RPCNC4312TT**	Top Coated White Matte PP Film	NCR4312	Yes	No	Film	TT
RICOH 140LDS/LES**	Polypropylene Film	G12/G29	Yes	No	Film	DT/TT

This list is exclusive: Only these exact labels may be used on IFCO RPCs. All other products or combinations may not be considered approved and are subject to further enforcement.

*These have all passed an initial controlled test. If further tests in the wash facilities or at the growers fail, the label will be removed from list.

**There will be a 60-day buying grace period and a 6-month usage grace period for any label removed from the list. These labels may be replaced in the future if better labels are identified.

Contact Information:

Contact IFCOlabels@ifco.com for questions regarding minimum requirements, or if desire to petition for an additional substrate/adhesive combination to be tested to possibly add to approved list.

For more information regarding label guidelines please visit www.ifco.com (Service & Products - Labeling)