



Poly laminate Sparkling Hoods Guideline

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This WPA Guideline contains specifications for the manufacture and supply of poly laminate sparkling hoods to third party contract packagers.

Where bottling customers are supplying their own poly laminate sparkling hoods, they should contact their contract packager to discuss whether this Guideline is sufficient for them or whether they have their own Specifications.

1. Guidance

All queries regarding this information should be discussed with the bottling customer's contract packager.

2. Responsibility

Where the customer supplies their own capsules, we suggest bottling customers contact their contract packager to assess and, if necessary, trial the capsules prior to bottling. Sample hoods should be supplied at least 6 weeks before the scheduled bottling date to confirm they achieve a mechanical application on their automated lines.

3. Requirements

All hoods must conform to the Winemakers Federation of Australia Wine Packaging Guidelines unless otherwise specified in this document.

Customers should check and approve their hoods (colour and artwork) at the manufacturer/supplier's premises or receive samples for approval prior to delivery to their contract packager.

Technical drawings and application specifications must be supplied in PDF format to the packager at least 6 weeks before the scheduled bottling date.

⚠ Customers should check with their contract packager regarding UV orientation marks or visual orientation marks to ensure that their packager has the correct equipment to read UV orientation or visual orientation on their automated lines.



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Criteria and Tolerances

Criteria	Tolerance
Hood Length	Hoods shall be a minimum of 80mm and a maximum of 122mm long and manufactured to the specification of the particular bottle finish. Information on bottle finishes can be sourced through your Account Manager.
Hood Diameter	The diameter of the base of the hood dimension must be sized to be 1mm greater than the bottle neck at the contact point.
Orientation Mark	The fluorescent orientation mark applied to the hood must be able to register on the SICK LUT-3 Luminescence scanners at sensitivity equal to or less than 50% at the time of manufacture. All other backgrounds must be below the “switching threshold”. This will allow scope for adjustment on the bottling line.
Orientation Mark Dimensions	Orientation marks must be 4mm wide and 70mm long and 180 degrees from the centre print or scallop.
Orientation Mark Positioning	Orientation mark must start at 50mm from top of the formed hood and extend 70mm to the base of the hood and must be compatible for use with the SICK LUT-3 Luminescence scanners.
Hood Packaging, Storage and Delivery	Each stick of hoods must be no longer than 580mm and spacing of hoods on stick must be 9-11mm. The hood sticks must be a packed layer on a suitable tray to avoid crush damage. To eliminate compaction during transportation and enable smooth and consistent application during bottling, hood sticks should be aligned to the forklift entry on pallets and placed across the direction of travel on transport.

4. Packing and Delivery

Detailed information on the packing and delivery of dry goods is contained in WPA_09 Dry Good Packaging and Delivery Requirements.

5. Recycled Material and Packaging

Each contract packager has their own sustainability objectives. Where practical dry goods are made using recyclable or recycled materials, packed using recyclable materials and all packaging minimised.

6. References

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