

UPPER LEFT QUADRANT

The Donation Identification Number will be right justified, and there will be spaces between the Country/Collection Facility Identification Number, the year of collection, the serial number, the rotated flag characters and the boxed check digit. The alignment will be such that the boxed check digit is aligned with the right edge of the bar code, as illustrated below.

The “Collected/Processed by” information should be printed in the middle third of this quadrant. The FDA Registration Number is not bar coded since it can be traced through the Donation Identification Number, and is currently included in this quadrant. The US License Number of the facility can be placed as shown; alternatively it can be placed in the lower left quadrant. The US License Number, of course, is only applied by licensed facilities to licensed blood products; a US License Number must not appear on unlicensed blood products.

The required label text (Properly Identify, etc) will be printed in the lower third of this quadrant; VOLUNTEER DONOR (or PAID DONOR) will be printed at the bottom.



LOWER LEFT QUADRANT

The base label of the primary container will have the manufacturer's information bar code in the lower third. On primary container base labels that have a RED BLOOD CELLS bar code and label text preprinted, this bar code may remain visible on the finished blood product. The container manufacturer's bar code may also remain visible on PLATELETS and APHERESIS PLATELETS containers.

If additional processing is done and the product code changes, or the base label is not preprinted as RED BLOOD CELLS, PLATELETS or APHERESIS PLATELETS the container manufacturer's information bar code may be covered. If a blood product is licensed, the US License Number information can be printed on the lower third of this quadrant, alternatively it can be placed in the upper left quadrant.

ISBT 128 LABEL SAMPLE

From “United States Industry Consensus Standard for the Uniform Labeling of Blood and Blood Components Using ISBT 128”. Refer to the complete version available from www.iccbba.org before making decisions about ISBT128 labeling.

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The ABO/Rh Blood Groups label text may be printed as large as space allows. Designations FOR AUTOLOGOUS USE ONLY or FOR DESIGNATED RECIPIENT ONLY are printed at the bottom of this quadrant.

LOWER RIGHT QUADRANT

The Expiration Date (and Time) bar code and the bar code text are in the upper third of the quadrant. Label vendors should be advised to make label stock to cover this specific area no larger than 2" [50 mm] wide and 0.9" [23 mm] long if only this portion of the quadrant is being labeled. The label text Expiration Date/(Time) will be printed to the right of the bar code; the bar code text (eg, 01 JAN 1997 14:00) will be printed below the bar code. The standard representation of date and time for the US will be DD MMM YYYY. The local time (if other than 23:59) will be printed in 24-hour format (with a colon). As previously noted, if the expiration time is coded as 23:59, no bar code text relating to time should appear.

Special Testing information (if this optional bar code is used) will be printed in the middle third of this quadrant. This information may extend into the lower third of the quadrant if the “Further Processed by” is not printed in this space.