Walmart Supplier RFID Mandate
Meet Compliance Requirements Quickly

Many large retailers are announcing source tagging requirements, with Walmart notably expanding their RFID requirements to products within the Home, Entertainment, and Hardlines departments. By September 2, 2022 all inventory entering stores must be tagged with readable RFID tags or will be deemed noncompliant.

Whether you choose to utilize printing and encoding services or set up your own RFID printing and verification system, Barcodes, Inc. can help.

1 Label Printing and Encoding Services

Get perfectly printed and encoded RFID tags, delivered ready to use. Barcodes, Inc.'s full-service RFID printing and encoding is an easy way to get compliant quickly.

✓ **No equipment setup or training**
Skip the long lead times, device configuration, and staffing coordination. Simply provide your department categories, UPC code, and serial number database to get your labels started.

✓ **Guaranteed compliance**
Our team will help you select the appropriate Walmart-compliant labels and inlays and ensure they are encoded correctly. We can even help you submit samples to Auburn University.

✓ **Industry-leading RFID expertise**
As a global solution provider and integrator, Barcodes, Inc. offers the widest network of RFID resources, including our own dedicated professional services and supplies teams.

2 RFID Devices and Supplies

If your long-term compliance strategy includes setting up your own RFID printing system, Barcodes, Inc. can help at every step. From sourcing the right RFID printers and readers to selecting the best label inlay for your application to full device configuration and deployment, trust the RFID experts at Barcodes, Inc. to help you achieve Walmart mandate compliance.

Why is Walmart Mandating RFID?

Omnichannel success is critical to the Walmart strategy. Walmart initially tested RFID mandates in the Apparel category and realized improvements in supply chain optimization and >95% inventory accuracy. Advancements in RFID technology have now made it easier to expand to additional product categories.

What type of RFID is required?

Compliant to GS1 and RFID lab ARC standards.

Do suppliers need to apply RFID tags to items, boxes, or pallet level?

All products at the item level need RFID integrated into the packaging or adhesively applied to the front or back of the of the existing packaging.

KEY DATES

June 3
Last day to submit samples

Aug 17
RFID-tagged products must arrive to distribution center

Sept 2
Items arriving in store must be tagged

Does Barcodes, Inc. offer printing and encoding services?

Yes. In addition to helping you choose the right label size and inlay for Walmart compliance, our services include printing and encoding RFID labels. All we need to get started is your database with UPC codes and serial numbers.

What if I want to encode my own labels?

To create your own RFID encoding system, you'll need RFID labels with an appropriate inlay for your application, RFID printers to encode the labels, handheld or fixed readers to validate the encoded labels, as well as software depending on the solution.

Keep in mind that lead times for RFID hardware can be long, and installing the system and training personnel to operate it adds additional time. Our team can help you understand your options for meeting compliance deadlines.

Ready to get started?

Contact Barcodes, Inc. to start the conversation today.

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