

## **Systems Print Media Limited – General Policy Statement**

- **Quality**
- **Environmental**
- **Health and Safety**
- **Employment**
- **Hygiene**

### **Quality Policy Overview**

Systems Print Media Limited recognizes the need to supply its range of products and services in full compliance with all relevant Quality, Environmental, Health & Safety, Employment and Hygiene standards.

As an approved distributor and manufacturer of Labels, Thermal Transfer Ribbons, Label Printing Systems, Label Software, Printer Maintenance Contracts, Barcode Scanners and Auto ID equipment our general policy is to only supply products that have been supplied by fully ISO accredited manufacturers and converters based in the EEC, The United States of America and Japan.

On a more specific level our product range can be classified as follows:

#### **Label Materials**

Dependent on the type of product our range of label materials have been converted using raw materials that have been manufactured by ISO accredited suppliers.

For example certain types and grades of products have been manufactured to comply with various standards and approvals such as:

- FDA
- German BgVV
- UL
- BS5609 and BEAB

#### **Thermal Transfer Ribbons**

Our range of thermal transfer ribbons have been manufactured by ISO accredited suppliers and certain grades of thermal ribbon have been manufactured to comply with the following standards and approvals:

- BGA (Direct Food Contact)
- European directive EC 92/59
- UL

Thermal Transfer Ribbons are considered as printing inks and can be applied to the exterior surface of packaging material, separated from the food by an effective functional barrier so that it would be unreasonable to expect migration of the components of the ink to the food.

As a result our range of Thermal Transfer Ribbons can be used for indirect contact applications according to the guidelines and requirements of the American Foods and Drugs Administration (FDA).

### **Environmental Policy Overview**

Systems Print Media Limited recognizes the need to supply its range of products and services in an environmentally sound and responsible manner.

By the informed choice of raw materials and forms of energy, product and process development, our objective is to ensure we supply our customers with products and services that minimize the environmental impact at both a local and global level.

On a more specific level our standard product range can be classified as follows:

#### **Label Face Materials**

The pulp used to manufacture these label face materials is sourced from managed forests (mainly Scandinavia and Western Europe) and is process using predominantly TCF (total chlorine free) methods.

#### **Adhesives**

Adhesives used are either emulsions based on acrylates, tackifiers or hot-melt systems based on acrylics to form a thermo-plastic compound.

Solvent based adhesives are only used when specifically requested by the end-user for certain applications.

#### **Release Liners**

As with label face materials the same environmental considerations apply i.e. sourced from managed forests and processed using predominately TCF methods.

The release liners are silicone coated.

### **Health and Safety Policy Overview**

To our knowledge none of our product range contains any material that would be classified as Hazardous e.g. substances such as heavy metals.

All methods used for the disposal of waste associated with both the manufacture and distribution of our products will comply with the Land Filling and Incineration policies of the EEC, The United States of America and Japan.

Upon request compliance of specific products to the European Union's Restriction on Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Directive (2002/95/EC) the related Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive (2002/96/EC) and the End of Life of Vehicle (ELV) Directive (2000/53/EC) can be supplied.

### **Employment Policy Overview**

To our knowledge all persons employed in the manufacture and distribution of our product ranges are employed in full compliance with the standard employment laws of the EEC, The United States of America and Japan.

### **Hygiene Policy Overview**

To our knowledge all our products are manufactured and distributed in full compliance with the standard Hygiene regulations of the EEC, The United States of America and Japan

### **Summary**

The above stated information gives a general overview relating to our standard product range.

On a more specific level Material Data Sheets and confirmation of compliance to relevant Industry Standards can be supplied upon request.

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