



 **BUNNINGS**

FOB Packaging Guidelines

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1.0 Introduction

Bunnings believes in maintaining a standard of packaging that:

- Protects the integrity and quality of the product
- Minimises costs
- Minimises environmental impacts by utilising renewable materials and less waste
- Achieve 'one touch' from supplier to store
- Ensure products can be handled safely through packaging integrity, strength and design.

These guidelines have been created to help our suppliers to design and produce packaging that complies with Australian and New Zealand consumer laws and the needs of our business.

This document is reviewed and changed regularly. Suppliers please review this document when it is reissued for changes

1.1 Artwork Development and Sign-off Expectations

The table below is a timeline for packaging to be reviewed and approved before it can be despatched.

Days after orders placed	Packaging Status	Packaging Expectations
0 – 7	Artwork development	Start packaging artwork and complete the Packaging Specification Form.
7 – 14	Send artwork for initial review	Send packaging artwork and Packaging Specification Form to Bunnings. 1. Bunnings will advise if the Australasian Recycling Label (ARL) is required.
14 – 21	Send artwork for approval	The ARL should be added to artwork (if requested) and the finalised packaging artwork sent to Bunnings for approval.
21	Send Completed Order	All packaging <u>must</u> be approved before orders are sent.

1.2 Bunnings House Brands and Style Guides

Bunnings have 33 Style Guides that must be followed to complete packaging artwork for products that House Brand.

- ✓ Always take House Brand logos from master illustrator files
- ✓ Always use original artwork files for logos, typography, images, formats, swing tags, regulations, weight icons, assembly instructions and warranty conditions in the style guides.
- ✗ Do NOT alter or redraw logos and artwork for any Bunnings house brands

Bunnings House Brands					
House Brand	Logo	Department	House Brand	Logo	Department
Specrite		Timber & panels	Sunfresh		Laundry & Clothelines
Bastion Building Materials		Building Materials	TopDry		Clotheslines
Syneco		Hardware	Dura Tile		Wall & Floor Tiles
Ikonic		Hardware	Laminae		Laminated Flooring
Estilo		Bathroom	Floor Select		Timber Flooring
Kinetic		Plumbing	Aqua Systems		Garden Watering
Mondella		Bathroom & Plumbing	Saxon		Garden Tools - Entry
Practa Solutions		Kitchens	Iron Bark		Garden Tools - Premium
Jumbuck		BBQ's Entry	Lotus Collection		Garden Landscape
Matador		BBQ's Premium	Luce Bella		Indoor Lighting
Sommersault		Kids, Picnic & Beach Furniture	Eiger		Electrical
Marquee		Outdoor Furniture - Entry	Click		Electrical
Mimosa		Outdoor Furniture - Premium	Moretti		Electrical - Heating & Cooling
Paint Partner		Paint Accessories	Craftright		Hand Tools - Entry
All Set		Storage	Trojan		Hand & Garden Tools - Premium
Montgomery		Storage & Shelving	Full Boar		Power Tools
Morgan		Cleaning			

2.0 Packaging Design and Materials




Packaging design is important to protect products as they travel through our supply chain and should not become problematic to the environment after it has served its primary purpose.

Bunnings are members of the Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation (APCO) and are required to provide the following for all products in Bunnings supply chain:

- Baseline packaging data information; and
- Sustainable packaging.

2.1 Baseline Packaging Information

Suppliers must provide the **material composition** and **weight** of packaging on all new products.

Packaging includes the following:		
		
Tertiary packaging for bulk transport Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✕ Pallets, frames and dollies ✕ Shipping cartons ✕ Shrink wrap ✕ Dunnage ✕ Strapping 	Secondary Packaging for handling Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inner cartons • Cardboard corners • Packing sheets (i.e timber) • Dunnage • Strapping 	Primary packaging for end consumer Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boxes • Hang-sell cards • Plastic bags • Accessory bags • Paper

2.2 Sustainable Packaging Design

Sustainable packaging is designed for compatibility with the waste management industry in **Australia** and **New Zealand**. This means:

- At least 80% of the population must have access to a recycling facility or service for packaging to be considered recyclable. All **on-pack messages** about the environment, sustainability, composability and recyclability of a product and its packaging must be substantiated under **Australian Consumer Law**. Penalties apply for false or misleading statements. For more information visit: <https://www.accc.gov.au/publications/green-marketing-and-the-australian-consumer-law>.
- The information below is a guide, and suppliers need to determine the best actions to take to both protect products as they travel through the supply chain ensure that packaging can be reused, recycled or composted in Australia and New Zealand.
- Suppliers can find more information on APCO's targets and whether they need to become a member at <https://www.packagingcovenant.org.au/>.
- The Packaging Material Selection Guide (below) provides a list of packaging materials and formats that are accepted by Bunnings.

PACKAGING MATERIAL SELECTION GUIDE

Red



Not to be used – Materials are regulated or not widely collected and recycled in Australia & New Zealand

Materials

Rigid Plastics
PVC (3), PS (6), nylon composite 'other' plastics (7), Expanded Polystyrene (EPS), foamed plastics

Soft Plastics
PET (1), PVC (3), PS (6), expanded polystyrene (EPS), nylon, expanded PE and multilayer films

Bioplastics
Oxy / Oxo degradable, fragmentable, biodegradable plastics, PLA, PHA, PBAT

Textiles
Polyester

Rubber

Composite Materials
Chipboard, plywood, MDF

Formats

Paper or cardboard:
• Coated with PP (5)
• Laminated with plastic
• Waxed / greased, or
• Lined with foil

Dark tinted plastics and glass

Rigid and soft plastics coloured with carbon black

Dark coloured inks, UV cured inks, inks containing VOC's, metallic inks

Hot melt adhesives

Materials

Textiles
Cotton, wool

Formats

Compostable primary packaging only where all components are certified to either AS 4736:2006 or AS 5810:2010 and labelled according to ISO 14021:2016.

Soft plastics comprising less than 30% of a secondary polymer (both from the green category).

Paper / cardboard coated with 5% (or less) PE by weight.

Responsibly sourced textiles.

Amber



Approval required – Only when green materials are not an option. Contact SustainablePackaging@Bunnings.com.au

Materials

Fibre
Corrugated cardboard, cardboard, grey board, paper, wood wool, moulded fibre

Rigid Plastics
PET (1), HDPE (2), LDPE (4), PP (5)

Metals
Steel, Aluminium

Glass

Soft Plastics
HDPE (2), LDPE (4), PE, PP (5), BOPP

Timber
Stick timber

Textiles
Jute / hessian

Formats

Cardboard / paper either uncoated, clay coated or PE coated (less than 3% by weight) on one side only

All packaging components made from the same green category, recycled or responsibly sourced material. Components should be separable if not.

Soft plastic comprising less than 5% of a secondary polymer (both green category)

Labels covering less than 40% of the exposed surface area, Polyolefin (PE or PP) on rigid HDPE, PP on rigid PP, OPP or PET on rigid PET, paper on cardboard / paper

Light coloured, water and plant based inks

Green



Preferred – Materials are widely collected and recycled in Australia & New Zealand

1. Reduce packaging

A. Remove unnecessary packaging

- Make packaging reusable where possible.
- Remove unnecessary layers of packaging that are not essential to the protection of the product or movement through the supply chain.



Remove unnecessary layers of packaging.



Maximise units per carton and omit inner cartons.



Only use plastic strapping on boxes with a gross weight of **16kg and over**.



Use less and smaller labels or print barcode directly on products.



Use plant and water-based inks and less / water-soluble adhesives.



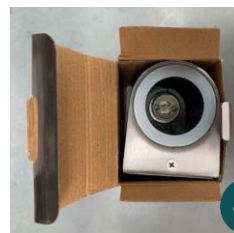
Avoid small packaging parts such as nylon cable ties.

B. Review the ratio of product to packaging

- Compare the amount of packaging with the size of the product and reduce the type of material, thickness, size, shape or weight.



Reduce amount of packaging.



Use boxes that fit the product well to avoid using fillers and dunnage but also minimise product damage.



Review the shape of product to pack tighter into cartons and pallets.

C. Reduce plastic

- Reduce use of rigid plastics (such as clamshell packs) and soft plastics such as bags.



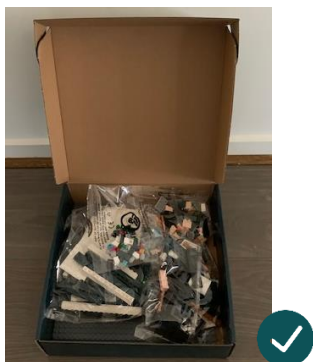

Reduce the size of all plastic blisters.





Remove unnecessary soft plastic bags.

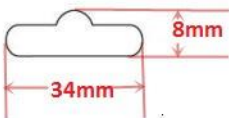


Use viewing holes instead of clear plastic.

2. Simplify packaging		
A. Allow packaging made from different materials to be separated easily for disposal		
	Packaging manufactured from different materials should be easy to separate for disposal.	Manufacture separable packaging components (i.e boxes and lids) from the same material.
B. Use clear, recyclable materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use clear recyclable plastics or glass without colours or tints.• Avoid dark tinted plastics and glass which are difficult to recycle and have limited applications as secondary materials.	
C. Use water based and plant-based inks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use soy, plant, vegetable and water-based inks that are non-toxic.• Reduce the amount of inks that are used to print on packaging.	
3. Materials		
A. Use recyclable polymers and identify them on packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Avoid single-use plastics. <p>Single-use plastic packaging is any plastic that is designed to be discarded after a single use or is routinely disposed of after its contents have been unpacked or exhausted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Soft plastics should be clear and meet the polymer compositions provided in the Appendix to this document (Section 8.1).	
	<p>Acceptable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Metals• Timber• Cotton• Recyclable polymers:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) Polyethylene terephthalate (PET)(2) High density polyethylene (HDPE)(4) Low density polyethylene (LDPE)(5) Polypropylene (PP)	<p>Not acceptable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Composite materials• Non – Recyclable polymers:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(3) Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)(6) Polystyrene (PS)(7) OtherNylonBlack tinted plastic wrapSingle-use plastics
B. Use mono-materials and light weight where possible	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Avoid using coatings, laminates and layering different materials in packaging (for example polymer coated cardboard).• Make packaging lightweight for transport.• Maximise pallet efficiency by utilising the complete pallet area and height.	

C. Use recycled materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suppliers are required to use packaging that incorporates at least 50% recycled content. Bunnings encourages suppliers to package products in as much recycled material as possible, without compromising on strength.
D. Use renewable materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source packaging from renewable materials such as FSC® or PEFC® certified timber, paper, cardboard and recycled plastic.
4. Improve on Pack labelling	
A. Identify type of plastic on packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stamp polymers packaging is manufactured from on pack for easy identification: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Stamp rigid plastics</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Print on clear soft plastics</p> </div> </div>
B. Use the Australasian Recycling label	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply the Australasian Recycling Label (ARL) to product packaging (see below). The label informs consumers of the actions they need to take to direct packaging waste to the most compatible waste stream in Australia and New Zealand.
C. Provide consumer information on sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inform customers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to prevent litter through the responsible disposal of packaging. If packaging can be used to preserve the life of the product or to reduce wastage / spoiling of the product. How packaging was sourced or made i.e FSC certified timber, energy neutral processes, using compostable materials using non-toxic inks and dyes. (Note claims must be substantiated and true under Australian Consumer Law).

2.3 Packaging Specifications

Hook Slots for Hang-sell Products	
	<p>The position and size of hook slots on hanging packaging must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be a standard size of 34mm wide by 8mm high. Centre of hook should be 15mm from top edge. Be centered on the pack; unless the weight is distributed unevenly. In the event of uneven distribution of the weight of the product, an off centre or second slot must be positioned to allow the product to hang straight.

Blister Packs



- A sealed blister pack and blister on card are both extensively used in Bunnings stores. However, a sealed blister pack has the advantage when it comes to loss prevention.
- PET is the preferable material to use (recyclable).
- Folded edges, on sliding blister packs, must not cover printed information on the reverse of the backing card.

Polybags



- Should be made from a clear, mono material polymer with a euro hook slot.
- A resealable bag is recommended.
- The top section must have thicker or reinforced plastic to provide strength for the hook hole. This is the area to print the product information as well.
- Polybags are not suitable for hazardous materials.

3.0 Labelling

Labels are an important part of a product's packaging.

Labelling helps with the marketing and differentiation of a product. Importantly labelling must provide mandatory industry, safety and factual legal information. It must not give "false, deceptive or misleading information to customers".

These parameters are set out in the Australian Consumer Law section of the Competition and Consumer Act (2010), which is enforced by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC).




The expectation is for all products that we sell to be labelled with, at minimum (but not limited to), the following information:

- Name and description of product, including material and finish
- Measurements if applicable eg. length, volume etc
- Content quantity
- Safe use instructions
- Proper disposal information
- Information on whether packaging is recyclable
- Features and Benefits – Minimum of 4 and details to be clear and concise
- Country of Origin
- Batch code or Date code (Month/Year of shipment)
- For large cartons - Colour labels on front and sides of carton must cover a maximum area up to 70%
- Scannable Barcode
- Gross Weight of product






3.1 Product Warning Labels

Some products require specific labels under Australian and New Zealand consumer laws and regulations. Examples have been provided in this document. Suppliers are encouraged to check that their products meet any relevant industry labelling standards before products are shipped. Contact productsafety@bunnings.com.au for more information.

Glass Safety	Shower Screens
	<p>Glass used in shower screens must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet Australian and New Zealand standards. <p>Retail packaging must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect the glass in transit. • Include plastic corners. • Include warning instructions outlining use of personal protection equipment on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Exterior and interior packaging. ○ A removable electrostatic clear label applied to the actual glass panels. ○ Assembly instructions. 
Barbecues	Gas type
	<p>The gas type relevant to each BBQ must be displayed on the carton packaging of all BBQ's.</p> 
	Gas Warning
	<p>Gas Barbecues must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be certified to Australian and New Zealand standards. • Display the important message below and gas certification number. 
	Gas Leak Testing
	<p>Assembly manuals must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructions detailing how to check for gas leaks once the barbecue assembly has been completed and the gas bottle connected. <p>Line drawings should be included in the manual to clearly explain how to perform a gas leak test.</p>

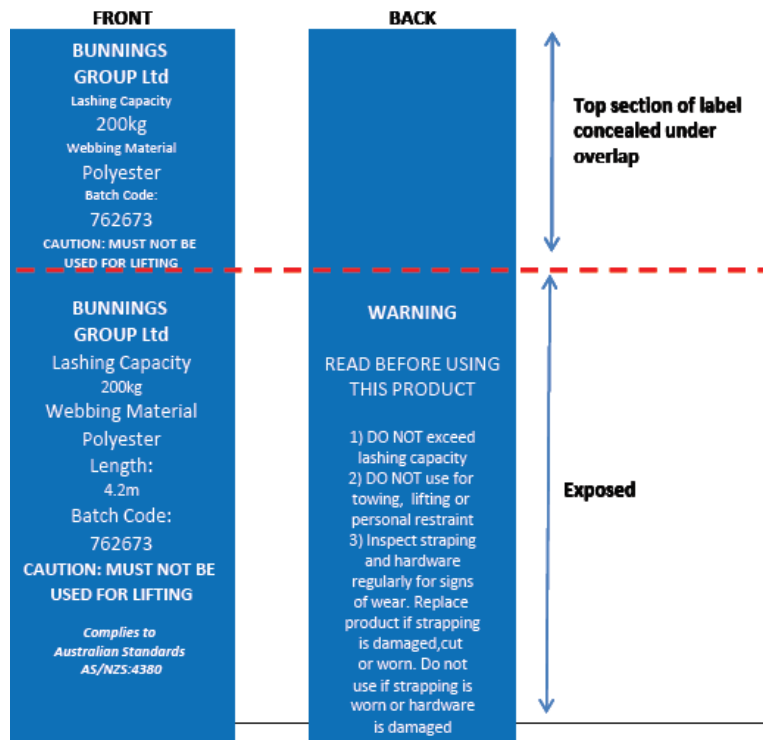
Swimming Pools	Swimming Pools <p>All warnings on packaging must be arranged according to the ACCC Mandatory Safety Standards.</p> <p>A quality control checklist is available on request from productsafety@bunnings.com.au.</p>
Blinds	Internal Blinds with cords <p>Internal blinds must include warning labels according to the ACCC Mandatory Safety Standards (examples below) on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Packaging • Hanging cords • Installation instructions <p>A quality control checklist is available on request from productsafety@bunnings.com.au.</p> <div data-bbox="443 745 1315 1612"> <p>210 mm</p> <p>30 mm</p> <p>PANTONE 186 C</p> <p>WARNING 5 mm Height</p> <p>CURTAIN AND 5 mm Height</p> <p>60 mm</p> <p>165 mm</p> <p>PANTONE 186 C</p> <p>WARNING 5 mm Height</p> <p>Young children... 3.8 mm Height</p> </div>

Tools	Kids Garden Tools
	<p>All Kids garden tools packaging must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That it is suitable for Ages 3+ only. • The age warning symbol below. <p>A warning If small parts are included which pose a choking hazard.</p> <div>  <div> WARNING CHOKING HAZARD – Small parts. Not for children under 3 years. CAUTION! Functional sharp points and edges. Use with care. To be used under the direct supervision of an adult. </div> </div>
	Hand Tools and Power Accessories
	<p>Hand tool or Power tool accessory which could be hazardous / cause injury during use must include a Caution or Warning for customers to use personal protection equipment such as goggles, ear muffs, clothing and gloves.</p> <div>  </div>
Tyres	Inflatable Tyres
	<p>Must include a warning label on the wheel rim showing the maximum inflation pressure.</p> <div> <div> WARNING: PLEASE USE A MANUAL FOOT OR HAND PUMP TO INFLATE TYRE. OVER INFLATION MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY, ALWAYS INFLATE TYRE WITH WHEEL FITTED TO TROLLEY. MAX INFLATION : 30 PSI-206Kpa </div> </div>

Trolleys	<div data-bbox="288 129 793 163" data-label="Section-Header"> Hand trolleys and Platform Trolleys </div> <div data-bbox="288 192 1415 259" data-label="Text"> <p>Must include a permanent, clearly visible sticker on the product showing the maximum weight capacity in kilograms (kgs).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="635 327 1115 568" data-label="Text"> <p>MAX. WEIGHT CAPACITY</p> <p>80KGS</p> </div> <div data-bbox="659 595 815 618" data-label="Text"> <p>Size: 8 x 2.5cm</p> </div> <div data-bbox="635 622 1115 772" data-label="Complex-Block"> <div>  WARNING </div> <div> Maximum Weight Loading - 80Kg <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Always secure heavy load with safety strapping 2. Set down heavy loads with care 3. Not suitable for use on multiple stairs 4. Do not exceed Max. weight load </div> </div>
Ladders	<div data-bbox="288 1249 411 1283" data-label="Section-Header"> Ladders </div> <div data-bbox="288 1312 1386 1379" data-label="Text"> <p>If ladders meet the standard AS/NZ 1892.1 and the standard is printed on the actual ladder:</p> </div> <div data-bbox="288 1406 1439 1536" data-label="List-Group"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A test report must be sent to productsafety@bunnings.com.au. • Warning labels must be permanently fixed to the ladder, as outlined in the Australian and New Zealand Standard and shown below (1-7). </div> <div data-bbox="300 1550 1460 2101" data-label="Image"> </div>



Garden Sprayers	<div data-bbox="288 129 598 163" data-label="Section-Header"> <h3>Garden Spray Bottles</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="288 197 1372 230" data-label="Text"> <p>Warnings are required on all pressure garden sprayer bottles regarding the use of:</p> </div> <div data-bbox="288 248 1434 365" data-label="List-Group"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solvents and flammable liquids are required on the bottle. • Personal Protection Equipment such as goggles, filter masks, gloves and protective clothing. </div> <div data-bbox="312 454 786 575" data-label="Text"> <p>Dear customer Please note this product is not designed to be used with cleaning liquids. Due to product testing requirements, this sprayer may contain a small amount of water residue.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="312 586 513 609" data-label="Section-Header"> <h4>SAFETY WARNING</h4> </div> <div data-bbox="312 609 761 819" data-label="List-Group"> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Pump Sprayer before use & do not over pressurise. 2.Adjust nozzle on spray wand to required spray. 3.Wear protective clothing during use of Garden Sprayer. 4.Avoid spraying in strong winds. 5.Release pressure before refilling or storing. 6.Do not leave sprayer unattended while pressurised. 7.When mixing chemicals always refer to the mixing Ratio and instructions specified on the label. 8.Wash out sprayer thoroughly after use. </div> <div data-bbox="343 822 438 936" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="338 943 446 965" data-label="Caption"> <p>Eye Protection</p> </div> <div data-bbox="454 822 550 936" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="456 943 547 965" data-label="Caption"> <p>Filter Mask</p> </div> <div data-bbox="564 822 660 936" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="587 943 639 965" data-label="Caption"> <p>Gloves</p> </div> <div data-bbox="676 822 769 936" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="684 936 759 976" data-label="Caption"> <p>Protective Clothing</p> </div> <div data-bbox="312 978 777 1003" data-label="Text"> <p>For your safety the above protection wear is recommended</p> </div> <div data-bbox="424 1012 679 1050" data-label="Text"> <p>Size : 80x90cm</p> </div> <div data-bbox="871 443 1098 835" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1115 443 1295 835" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="893 884 1026 907" data-label="Text"> <p>Size: 60(L)*25(H)mm</p> </div> <div data-bbox="906 911 938 934" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="936 911 1050 934" data-label="Text"> <p>PANTONE 485C</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1050 911 1082 934" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1080 911 1190 934" data-label="Text"> <p>PANTONE 293C</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1031 999 1185 1037" data-label="Section-Header"> <h4>Important</h4> </div> <div data-bbox="944 1037 1267 1122" data-label="List-Group"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pump periodically to maintain pressure • Not to be used to spray solvents or flammable liquids • Not to be used with cleaning liquids </div>
Batteries	<div data-bbox="288 1220 588 1254" data-label="Section-Header"> <h3>Button Cell Batteries</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="300 1285 1375 1319" data-label="Text"> <p>All products which include or require cell type batteries must include warnings on:</p> </div> <div data-bbox="349 1339 780 1485" data-label="List-Group"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The packaging. • Back of any remote controls. • Instruction manual. </div> <div data-bbox="300 1505 1407 1581" data-label="Text"> <p>Warnings must include the graphic (shown here) AND a warning beside the graphic. Suggested examples of warnings are:</p> </div> <div data-bbox="746 1653 855 1796" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="860 1662 991 1796" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="317 1870 1407 2094" data-label="List-Group"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WARNING - KEEP BATTERIES OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN • Swallowing may lead to serious injury in as little as 2 hours or death, due to chemical burns and potential perforation of the oesophagus. • If you suspect your child has swallowed or inserted a button battery immediately call the 24-hour Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 for fast, expert advice. </div>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine devices and make sure the battery compartment is correctly secured, e.g. that the screw or other mechanical fastener is tightened. Do not use if compartment is not secure. • Dispose of used button batteries immediately and safely. Flat batteries can still be dangerous. • Tell others about the risk associated with button batteries and how to keep their children safe. <p>NOTE: The 24-hour Poisons Information Centre is the correct first response in Australia/NZ. Verify suitable emergency call numbers for relevant countries you may want to include in your markings.</p> <p>Warnings should be placed adjacent to the instruction for replacing batteries. Graphical symbols may be added to either add emphasis or replace text.</p>
Ratchet Tie Downs	Ratchet Tie Downs
	All Ratchet tie downs must meet AS/NZS 4380:2001.
	Ratchet Tie Down Strap Sew in Tags <p>The standard is for all tags to include permanent tags sewed in to each Ratchet tie down strap with the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importer's Company name. • Lashing Capacity. • Webbing strap material (eg. Polyester). • Batch code (eg. Order number). • Must not be used for lifting. • Complies to AS/NZS:4380. • Warnings. <p>Sew in tags must be printed on the following colours depending on the material type:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue – Polyester Webbing. • Green – Polyamide webbing. • Brown – Polypropylene webbing.



The brand name and lashing capacity must be permanently stamped into the buckle of the ratchet tie (see image below).



Bungee Cords	<p>Bungee Cords</p> <p>Consumer product safety standards require a permanent warning label to be attached to each bungee cord and wrapped around each cord (as in the image below).</p> <p>The labels must have the following warning (exact words):</p> <p>WARNING. Rebounding hooks cause blindness. Place hooks with care. Keep face and body out of rebound path. DO NOT overstretch. DO NOT use when strap has visible signs of wear or damage.</p> <p>The label must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be durable, Non-tearing, Non-fading, UV resistant, water resistant. • Be printed on a yellow background colour. • Bare the word 'WARNING' in uppercase black letters not less than four millimetres in height. • Bare the words 'DO NOT' in uppercase black letters not less than two millimetres in height. • Bare all other words in lower case black letters of not less than 2 millimetres in height. <div data-bbox="579 922 1165 1545">  <p>The image shows a yellow rectangular warning label with black text. The text on the label is: WARNING (at the top and bottom), Rebounding hooks cause blindness. Place hooks with care. Keep face and body out of rebound path. DO NOT overstretch. DO NOT use when strap has visible signs of wear or damage. To the right of the label is a photograph of several coiled bungee cords in various colors (red, green, blue, yellow). Each cord has a yellow warning label attached to it, showing the same text as the sample label.</p> </div>
Fabric Furniture & Toys	<p>Care Instructions</p> <p>All furniture fabrics, clothing and toys must include a sew in tag on the fabric outlining the care and washing instructions. The sew in tag must also include the fabric composition as per example shown.</p> <p>Care labelling is a mandatory requirement and must meet standards AS/NZS 1957:1998 Textiles Care Labelling</p> <p>Below is a link to care labelling for textile products - supplier guide ACCC for reference.</p> <p>https://www.accc.gov.au/publications/care-labelling-for-clothing-and-textile-products-supplier-guide</p> <div data-bbox="979 1765 1453 2051">  <p>The image shows a care label with five symbols in a column, each with a corresponding instruction to its right. The symbols are: a crossed-out square (no tumble dry), a crossed-out triangle (no bleach), a crossed-out circle (no dry clean), a crossed-out iron (no iron), and a crossed-out square with a dot (no steam). Below the instructions, it says '100% Polyester' and 'MADE IN VIETNAM'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wipe clean with damp cloth only using detergent & luke warm water - Do not bleach - Do not tumble dry - Do not dry clean - Do not iron <p>100% Polyester MADE IN VIETNAM</p> </div>

Dangerous Good and/or Hazardous Substance Chemical Products



Collectively termed 'Hazardous Chemicals', these products are chemicals that can cause health issues, physical harm and / or environmental damage.

The international Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), the Australian Dangerous Goods Code for Transport (ADG) and the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP), set out the labelling rules for identifying such hazards through labelling and pictograms, packaging design and safety data sheets.

Poisons



Chemicals identified as poisons under the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) are subject to both labelling and packaging design requirements. Many Schedule 5 poisons are common domestic use products. Whilst they usually constitute a low hazard, they require relevant first aid and safety directions on the label.

They may be identified by CAUTION and KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

Schedule 6 poisons are of a moderate to high hazard and may cause severe injury or death if misused.

They are identified by the word POISON at the top of the label.

Both Schedule 5 and 6 poisons require packaging that is sufficiently robust to delay access to a child; with Schedule 6 poisons having the additional requirement of Child Resistant Closures.

3.2 Measurement, Warranty and Multiple Carton Labels


Warranty Labels on Packaging



Packaging that displays a warranty period or warranty logo as per examples below (eg. 12 months warranty) must include Warranty conditions on a card inside the box or printed as part of the assembly instructions.




- A guide to warranty conditions according to Australian legal requirements is detailed in each of our House brand style guides for reference.
- Warranty conditions may be printed in the instruction manuals if assembly instructions are provided.

If no warranty period is displayed on packaging, then warranty conditions are not required to be printed as the 12-month statutory warranty will automatically apply.

Units of Measure	
Metric	<p>All units of measure printed on packaging must be in metric unless instructed otherwise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Millimetres or centimetres (No imperial measurements). • Net Weight & Gross Weight must be in Kilograms.
Multiple Cartons	
	<p>Large items packed in two or more separate cartons will need to be labelled and numbered so that customers are aware that multiple boxes are required to complete the product.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labels must be printed on all four sides of each carton.

3.3 Industry Efficiency Labels

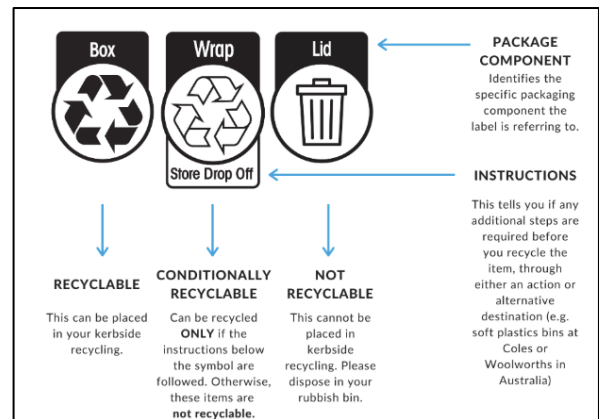
There is legislation for certain products to be registered with a government agency in Australia and New Zealand and be supplied in packaging that is labelled to a consistent standard. It is a supplier's responsibility to ensure that all products supplied to Bunnings are correctly registered and labelled.

Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards (WELS)	
	<p>The WELS scheme has been set up to increase water efficiency and save water in products such as toilets, showers and basin taps. The products need to be registered and labelled with their water efficiency for customers to make their own water saving choices.</p>
Greenhouse Energy Minimum Standards (GEMS)	
	<p>GEMS was introduced to set up a minimum energy performance standard for equipment including air conditioners, lighting and clothes dryers. All products need to be registered and certain type of products including dishwashers, refrigerators and clothes dryers have to have an energy rating label.</p>
Electrical Equipment Safety System (EESS)	
	<p>The EESS process was introduced to ensure all electrical equipment under its scope meets important safety criteria so as to eliminate any potential safety hazards. The scheme requires electrical equipment to be classified into three levels of risk with different compliance requirements according to the risk level. All electrical equipment must have the Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM) label.</p>

3.4 The Australasian Recycling Label

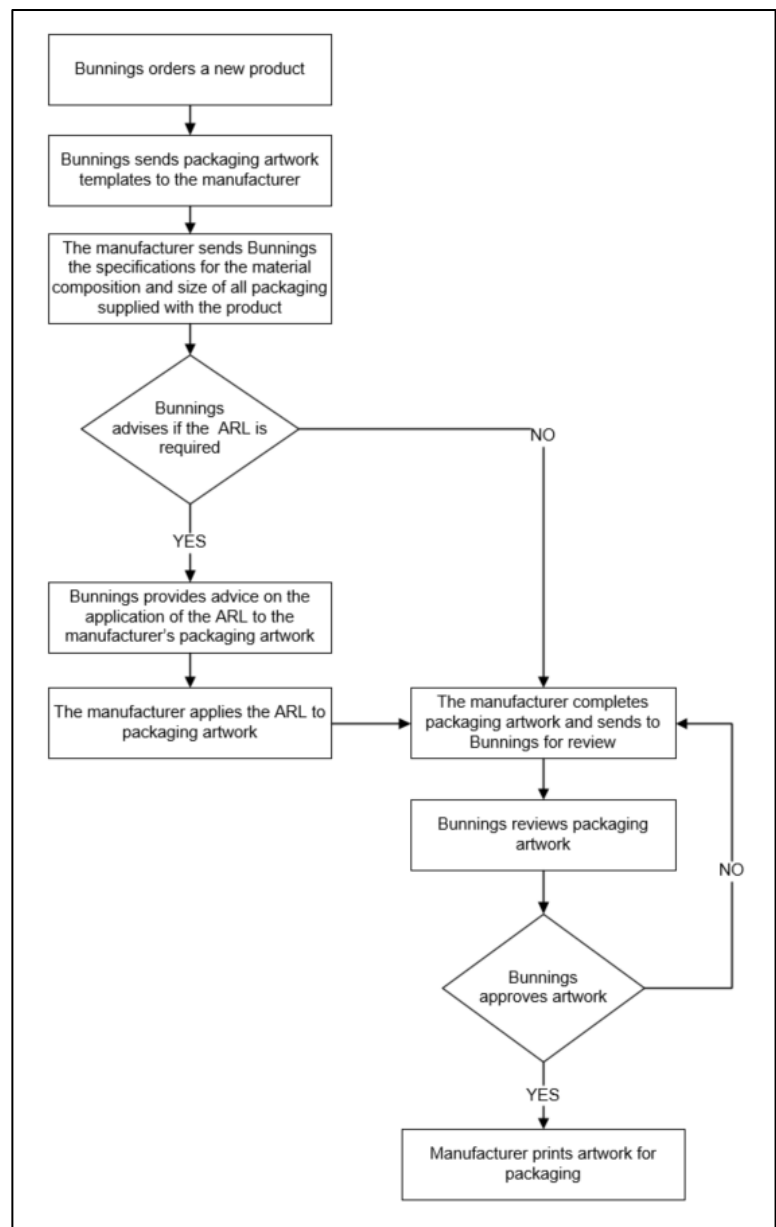
Bunnings has implemented the Australasian Recycling Label (ARL).

The label provides consumers with on-pack information to help them separate packaging that is manufactured from different materials before disposal. The label helps manufacturers design packaging that is more compatible with the way waste is collected and processed in Australia and New Zealand and informs consumers of the action they need to take to keep valuable, recyclable resources in circulation.



Bunnings aims to apply the ARL to all new packaged products and will need specific information about the packaging to do this. The requirements for the ARL are:

- Suppliers provide Bunnings with the **material composition, weight and dimensions** of all primary packaging components, including:
 - Boxes
 - Soft plastic windows on boxes
 - Soft plastic accessory bags
 - Soft plastic outer bags
 - Clamshell blister packs
 - Cardboard trays
 - Labels
 - Trays
 - Lids
 - Cable ties
 - Backing cards
- Bunnings will advise suppliers if a product **will** or **will not** be labelled with the ARL.
- Manufacturers will be sent the **exact specifications to print the ARL on artwork** based on the packaging information that was provided.
- Bunnings will need to review and approve all artwork (including the ARL) before printing (See process flow chart).
- Find more information at arl.org.au



Important

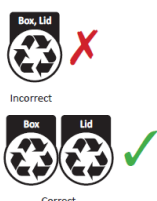
Changes to the material composition, components and dimensions of packaging will affect the ARL. Email changes to Sustainablepackaging@bunnings.com.au to ensure the correct message appears on the new packaging.

The Australasian Recycling Label Style Guide



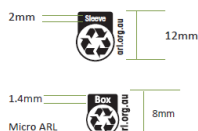
1. Separable components:

Each separable component must have its own symbol (shown). Recyclable items display an opaque black Mobius loop, positioned to the left. Non-recyclables use a bin logo, positioned to the right. Conditionally recyclable items use an outline of the Mobius loop, with an additional consumer instruction tab positioned below the classification symbol. The Separable component name is to be selected from the approved list, as per *User Guide Appendix 5*.



2. Size:

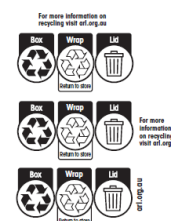
- Standard ARL minimum size is 12mm, not including instructional tab. The ARL should be increased in size for large packaging items with sufficient real estate.
- The Micro ARL can be used only when the external surface of packaging area is <100cm². The component name can be no more than 4 letters.
- Minimum instruction text size is 1.4mm (lowercase).
- If limited space is an issue, please contact [APCO](#) to discuss this further



3. URL:

The ARL website URL must always be present when using the ARL artwork. It must be placed above or to the right of the ARL (shown). Only the Member's URL is an acceptable alternative if referring to recycling information. Options:

- For more information on recycling visit [arl.org.au](#)
- [arl.org.au](#) or [arl.org.nz](#)
- [www.membersURL.com.au/recyclinginformation](#)



4. Colour, text & font:

- The ARL should not be placed on a busy background.
- Any two colours may be used for the ARL as long as they are clear, legible and compatible with the packaging background (shown).
- Only approved instructions can be applied to conditionally recyclable items. Instruction tab may deepen to three lines maximum to accommodate text. See *User Guide p.19 – 20* for approved instructions list.
- Font: ITC Avant Garde Gothic, Demi Condensed.



5. Positioning and other logos:

- The ARL should always be positioned in an easily accessible position, more than likely placed close to the barcode. The logos should be arranged horizontally where possible.
- If real estate is limited, only Not Recyclable Items can be labelled together.
- The ARL should not be used next to symbols that confuse consumers e.g. Tidy man or plastic identification code (1-7).
- Use only approved alternative recycling messages e.g. REDcycle.



3.5 Recycling and Composting Labels

Mobius Loop



The mobius loop is an internationally recognised, public domain logo that is used on packaging to indicate that the material is recyclable.

- Use of the mobius loop is unregulated so it should only be used on cardboard cartons, shelf ready trays and shipping cartons.
- The symbol must be printed on all cardboard box packaging for recycling.

Composting Labels



Industrial Composting Logo

The Australasian Bioplastics Association (ABA)'s Seedling Composting logo verifies that packaging is compostable according to AS 4736 (2006) *Biodegradable plastics: Biodegradable plastics suitable for composting and other microbial treatment*.

NOTE: Compostable packaging materials are not accepted by Bunnings without prior consultation.



Home Composting Logo

The ABA's Home Composting logo verifies that packaging is compostable according to AS 5810 (2010) *Biodegradable plastics: Biodegradable plastics suitable for home composting*.

NOTE: Compostable packaging materials are not accepted by Bunnings without prior consultation.

4.0 Weight Icons (Heavy and Bulky Items)

All items that are 10kgs and over must be labelled with weight icons to protect the safety of Bunnings team members and customers.

Bunnings weight Icons Definitions and Specifications:			
10 – 16 kg	16.1 – 40 kg	40.1 – 60 kg	60.1 kg+ or Oversized
Can be lifted by an individual.	May be lifted by an individual but a two person lift is safer.	A minimum of two people are required to lift the product.	Very heavy product requiring mechanical aids to lift.
Mandatory Colours:			
Pantone Green 347	Pantone Yellow 116	Pantone Orange 165	Process black
Apply to:			
Single boxed, bagged, multi-packed products with bulky packaging weighing between 10-16kg.	Single boxed, bagged and multi-packed products weighing between 16.1-40kg.	All products weighing between 40.1 kg-60kg.	All products weighing more than 60.1 kg or with dimensions greater than 1.5 cubic metres.

Weight icons must:

- Be clearly visible on packaging
- Be incorporated into the packaging design and printed on the artwork
- Be printed in the pantone colours specified under each icon in the table above OR in single two colour packaging design the icon may be printed in only one colour on the outer packaging aligned to the weight table above.

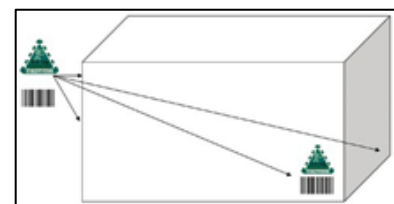
Size of icons:

The size of the icons depends on the size of the packaging and must be applied as outlined below:

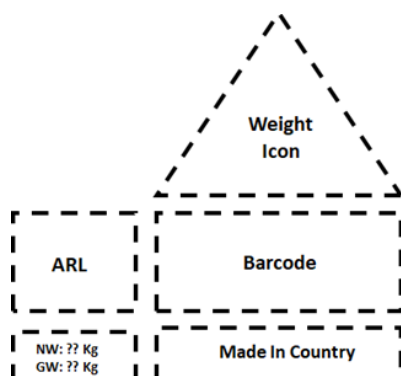
Packaging Type	Label Size (mm)
Boxed or bagged packaging with ALL sides being less than 300mm depth.	50 x 45
Boxed or bagged packaging where at least one side is greater than 300mm depth.	80 x 70
Cartons where any side is greater than 500mm.	110 x 95

4.1 Weight icon Placement

On boxed carton products, the weight marking icon and barcode should be on **four selling faces** of the packaging and located to the **lower right-hand side corner** with the barcode under the weight icon.



4.2 Weight icon Layout



The layout of the weight icon should be as shown:

- **Weight icon** in colour relevant to the weight of the product.
- The **Australasian Recycling Label (ARL)** if applicable (to be advised).
- **Barcode** below weight icon
- **Net weight** and **gross weight** of the actual product.
- **Country of Origin** printed below the barcode.

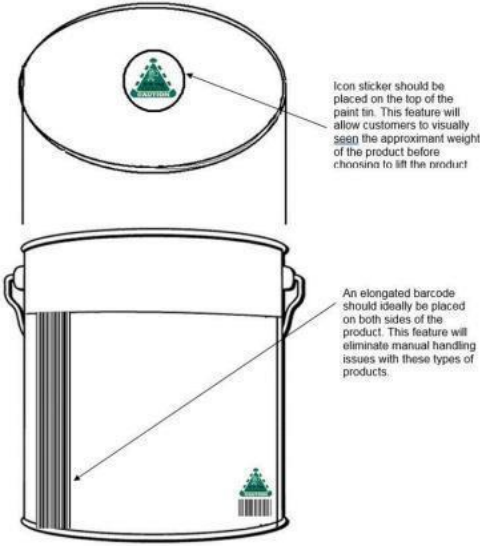
Heavy Bagged Products



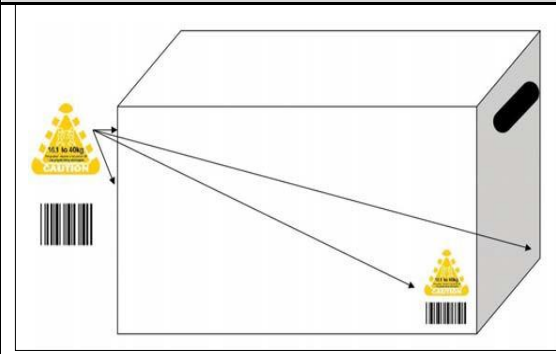
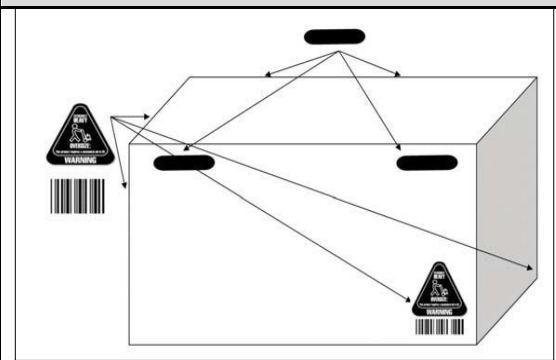
To ensure that the weight icon is easily viewable:

- Place icons on both selling faces of the packaging in the corners.
- Barcodes should be on all corners of the packaging next to or under the weight icon marking.
- Ideally an elongated barcode which wraps the product length ways should be used so it doesn't have to be lifted at point of sale.

Heavy Products in Circular / Cylindrical Packaging



 <p>Icon sticker should be placed on the top of the paint tin. This feature will allow customers to visually see the approximate weight of the product before choosing to lift the product</p> <p>An elongated barcode should ideally be placed on both sides of the product. This feature will eliminate manual handling issues with these types of products</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An icon sticker should be placed on the top of the circular product to allow customers to see the approximate weight of the product before choosing to lift. • An elongated barcode should ideally be placed on both sides of the product to eliminate the need for manual handling. • Any queries on weight icons please contact the Merchandise Compliance Co-ordinator merchandisecompliance@bunnings.com.au.
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4.3 Lifting Handles

Cartons Weighing Over 16kg	
	<p>Heavier products require stronger packaging to be moved safely.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavier boxed cartons with a weight greater than 16kg require built in handles. • Cartons with products that are 16.1 – 40kg, must have handles with a minimum width of 105mm x 30mm to fit an adult sized hand. A plastic insert could be added to add strength.
Over Sized Cartons and Cartons Greater than 40kg	
	<p>Two handles are required on cartons that are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater than 40kg • Oversized bulky products <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The packaging should be made from materials which enable a steady non-slip grip. • There should be a minimum of 150mm separation between the sets of handles to allow adequate shoulder room and a balanced and stable load when lifted. • A plastic insert for the handle could also be added as shown below.

4.4 Sharp Objects Best Practice

Products must be packaged to safely be handled and stored by team members and customers.

	
<p>Place a cover over blades to prevent contact with sharp edges.</p>	<p>Cover the blade on secateurs but allow the handles to be gripped for customers to feel the product.</p>

4.5 Bulky Items Best Practice

Bunnings recommends that suppliers build-in improvements into their products to assist in their safe handling. Examples are:

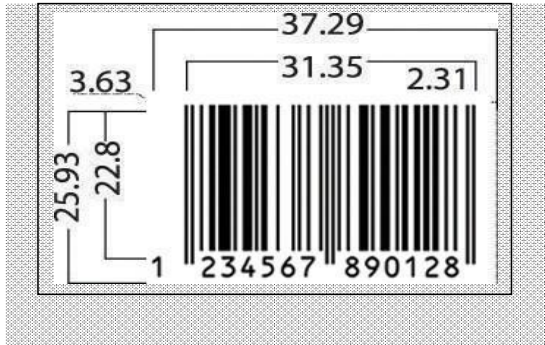
	
<p>Product boxes with plastic handle to add strength.</p>	<p>Rope handles assist in moving safely.</p>
	
<p>Tiles on their own pallet with each row strapped individually for stability.</p>	<p>Tiles held together by timber container and strapped together.</p>
 	
<p>Products with a pallet incorporated in the packaging.</p>	<p>Product carton with strapping and durable framing. With a plastic handle.</p>

5.0 Barcodes

- Barcodes must scan correctly first time at the registers for quick and efficient transactions.
- Bunnings uses an international recognised barcode standard approved by an appropriate barcode issuer so the unique barcode numbers on products remain and cannot be transferred to another company.



5.1 Barcode Requirements

Barcode must meet the following requirements:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAN-13 barcode (13 digit) type • Black bars on a solid white matte background. • Nominal size of 100% with a width of 31.35mm. However, Bunnings approves of EAN-13 barcodes that are not the nominal height due to products being thinner than a standard barcode (eg bolts). • Barcodes can be printed from 80-200% nominal size. Size gauges are available from your barcode provider to help assess the proportionality of a barcode for your product. • There should be 'quiet zones' on either side of the barcode. A quiet zone is a solid, light area which enables the scanner to recognise the beginning and the end of a barcode. A standard EAN-13 barcode at the nominal size of 100%, should have 3.63mm of space to the left and 2.31mm to the right. 	 <p>Allowing more space than the minimum specification, will provide a greater chance that the barcode will scan properly every time.</p>

5.2 Barcode Testing

Bunnings requires product barcodes to be tested for scanning. To arrange barcode testing in Australia contact GS1 Australia on 1300 227 263 or via website www.gs1au.org or if overseas contact GS1 in your capital city. The quality of the barcode should be ISO grade 1.5 or greater to ensure its scanned first time, every time and the minimum scan rate must be 80% or above.

The ISO verification system assesses the quality of the symbol (barcode) compared to a "perfect symbol". The grade number provides an indication, based on print quality, of the like performance of the barcode. The lower the ISO grade, the higher the possibility of scanning difficulties. The barcode quality must be maintained so products are scanned first time. If there any other queries your relevant Buyer can provide guidance.

5.3 Barcode Best Practice

To ensure barcodes are secure on our product packaging we prefer barcodes are arranged as shown below:

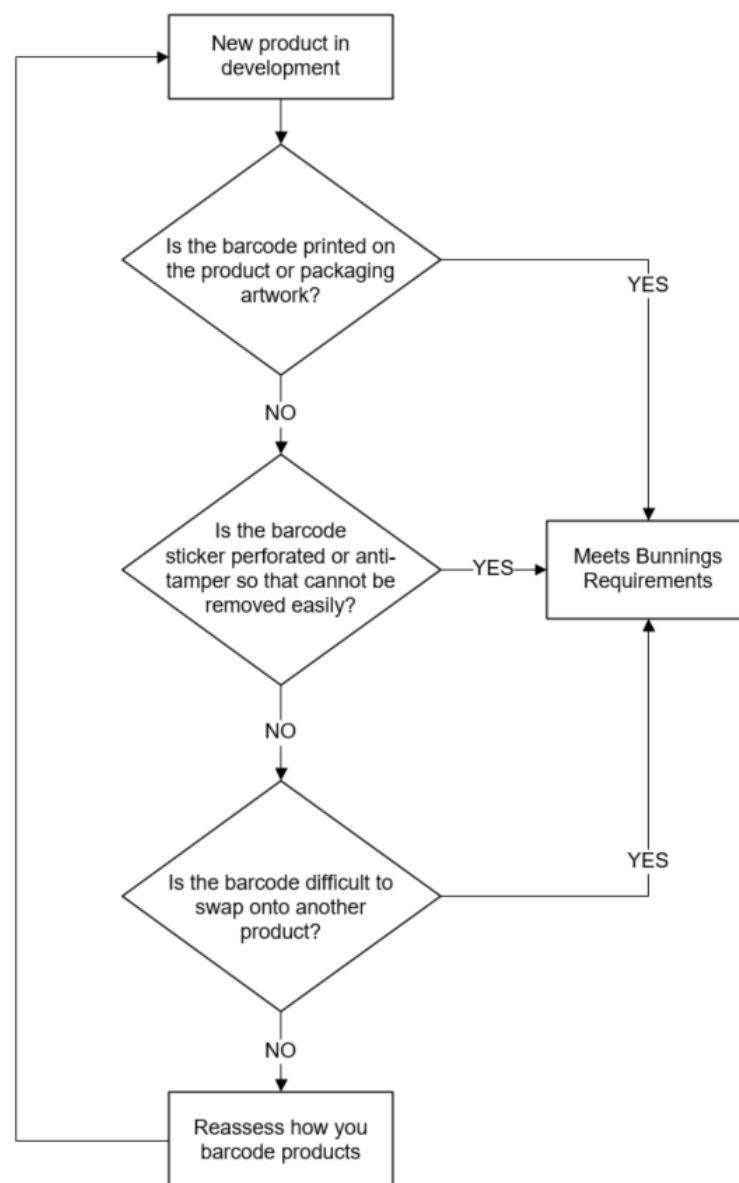
- ✓ Print barcodes directly onto the packaging or product.
- ✓ Apply non-removable security barcode stickers that are perforated and fall apart if customers attempt to remove them.
- ✗ Do not use barcodes that can be peeled off and applied to other products.








5.4 Barcode Self-Assessment

Bunnings prefer barcodes that are applied to the pre-printed artwork of the retail product. This provides a better-quality barcode and is virtually tamper proof.

If printed barcodes aren't possible then tamper proof barcode adhesive stickers or security barcode labels are the next best option. These give a clear indication of when the barcode has been tampered with, which makes it easier for the register team member to become alerted to tampering and to investigate further.



5.5 Loss Prevention Packaging Best Practice

		
<p>Box closed with sustainable security tape is noticeable when a box has been opened.</p>	<p>The barcode is inside the product and Bunnings team members need to open the item at Point of Sale (POS) to scan the barcode and check for hidden items.</p>	<p>Blister packs made to size with recyclable materials allow the product to be visible to the customer but prevent it from being removed or damaged in store.</p>
		
<p>Tamperproof box design and seals make it evident when packaging has been compromised and parts removed.</p>	<p>Packaging with a cut-out window. The product inside the box is visible which prevents box swapping.</p>	

5.0 Store Ready Packaging

Store ready packaging is a fundamental component in gaining greater replenishment efficiencies, better product availability for customers and reducing costs. It's also one of Bunnings' main aims - one touch from supplier to store. Store ready packaging:

- Is usually a shipping carton with perforations, to allow easy removal of the top of the carton, then the bottom of the carton can be merchandised directly onto the shelf with the product.
- Should be fit for purpose, have a board grade that is robust to safely hold the product within and to withstand any damage as it travels through the supply chain.



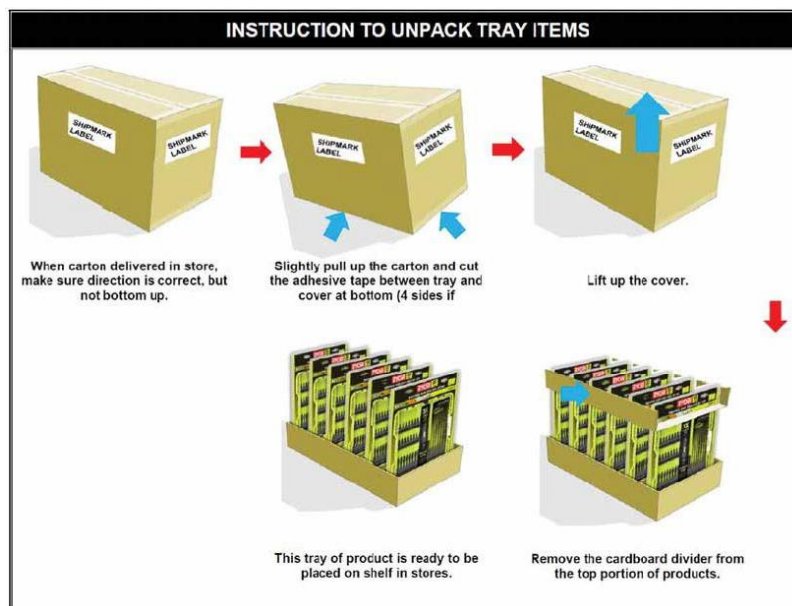
Different examples of perforated packaged products which quickly become shelf ready

Guidelines for Shelf ready packaging:

- Perforations should allow the top of the carton to be easily and cleanly removed using pre-cut finger holes. The perforations shouldn't cut through barcodes or other information.
- Shouldn't require tools to open carton.
- Tape, glue or strapping shouldn't interfere with the opening of the carton.
- Products displayed must be clearly visible and accessible to customers.
- The labels on the carton should be printed with the product description so it's easily identified. Easy access to the product shouldn't be sacrificed for a larger label.



Perforated box easily and compacts for recycling



6.1 Free Standing Displays

Free standing displays are another form of store ready packaging. They offer the opportunity of a side stack or display with the minimum of handling and provide an excellent merchandising tool to entice customers.

The Bunnings expected standard for any free-standing display is:

- It should ideally be 450mm by 450mm in box size.
- It must be robust enough to enable efficient movement through the supply chain.
- It must come pre-loaded with stock and require very little handling or merchandising in store.
- Like shelf store ready packaging, the use of tools should be avoided.
- It should be designed in a way that a single team member can handle the display in the store.
- Any packaging should be of recyclable materials and requires little effort for disposal.

Examples of Free-Standing Displays

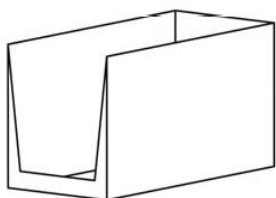


6.2 Side Stack Merchandise Standards

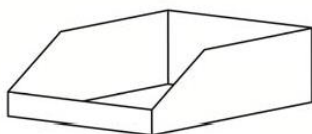
- Cut case or ready to sell shipper
- Maximum carton size should be 450x450mm
- No stock bins, POS sleeves or header cards
- Perforated cut case or dotted cut out line/ Cut case carton with lid
- The height must not exceed 1.2m

Examples of Side Stack Cartons

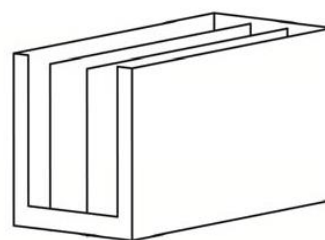
Below are examples of various styles of display cartons to arrange for store ready side stacks.



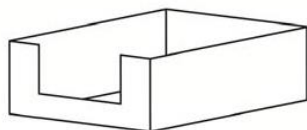
Angled Cut Case Carton



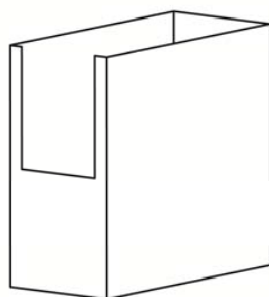
Wide Side Cut Case with Straight Front Panel



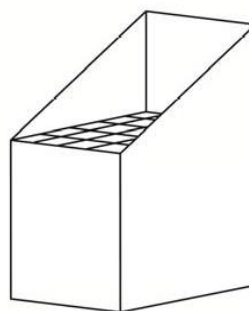
Cut Case Carton with Dividers



Wide Front Cut Case Carton



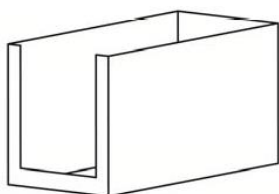
Large Deep Cut Carton



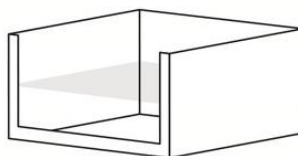
Cut Case for Long Tubular Products



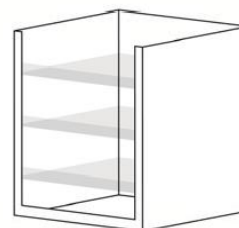
Multi Layered Display Cartons with Display Shelf



Single Layer Square Cut Case Carton



Double Layer Wide Opening Cut Case Carton



Three Layered Cut Case Carton

6.3 Carton Strapping

We prefer no strapping is applied unless necessary. Strapping ;

- Only required on Primary cartons with a Gross weight of **16kg and over as per below**.
- Must be a **recyclable plastic**.
- Staples, nails, metal strapping and metal clasps are **not acceptable**.

Carton strapping guide	< 16kg	16kg - 40kg	> 40kg
Primary carton ie. Qty = 1 :	No straps	2 straps	4 straps (2 each side)
Secondary carton ie. Qty > 1 :	No straps		

6.4 Inner Cartons

Shipper cartons often contain inner cartons. Inner cartons are to have :

- Clear markings for easy identification (Item number and Qty per carton).
- Minimise the number of inner cartons.
- Remove strapping from inner cartons.

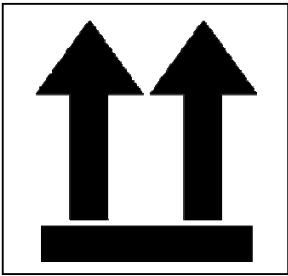

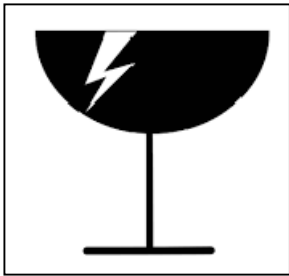

6.5 External Shipping Packaging

While the weight icon program sets up the parameters on safety for heavy and bulky products, there have been many initiatives in the field to help assist in the movement of heavy and bulky items and to reduce any potential injuries. We recommend all our suppliers build in such, or similar improvements, into their products to assist in their safe handling.

Packaging must be:

- Plain Robust cartons.
- Good quality to safely carry products.
- Cartons must maintain structure, so they are not unsafe to handle.
- Boxes must be bound & taped and able to be opened with a box cutter.
- Cartons should be packed tight to avoid product movement.
- Cartons should be flat surfaced on top and bottom, so they are stackable.
- Mixed items in carton must be clearly identifiable based on printed shipping marks.
- Relevant shipping marks should also be shown on the carton.
- The carton or pallet must contain the necessary delivery paperwork, including invoice and SDS documentation if necessary.
- Cartons should have flat surfaces on top and bottom to allow them to be stacked on top of each other.

6.6 Outer Carton Icons

Outer Carton Icons			
			
THIS SIDE UP	HANDLE WITH CARE	FRAGILE	KEEP DRY

Transport pictograms with important information

Other information that's required on at least 4 sides of the outer carton:

- Brand Name
- Product code
- Product description
- Inner pack quantity
- Unit size
- Gross weight
- Batch number if appropriate
- Dangerous goods information or other legislative requirement
- Standard barcode – the SSCC identifier barcode

6.7 Bunnings Shipping marks

All outer cartons which contain multiple products require our shipping marks to be displayed as below. Shipping marks should cover a maximum area of 15x15cm and be printed on one side of the carton only.

*** (3 Asterisks)

Dest - ____ (First letter of destination eg. "M" for Melbourne Order No. _____ (Bunnings Order number)
 Item - _____ (Bunnings Item number or fineline)
 Dept - _____ (Department Name eg. Storage & Organisation) Carton Qty - _____ (Number of units per carton eg. 10) GW - ____ Kg (Gross Weight of carton)
 Month/Year of shipment (eg. 08/16 – Print Month/Year only)

Shipping Marks Example

Dest-B
Order No-251303
Item-3191872
Dept-Leisure
Carton Qty- 6 pcs
GW- 22.2 kgs
8/16

Mixed Shipper Cartons

For MIXED shipper cartons, which contain multiple item numbers of different products (eg. Garden Statues, Plant pots) the shipping marks should be printed as below to clearly indicate the qty of each separate item number:

Shipping Marks Example

Dest - ____ (First letter of destination eg. "M" for Melbourne Order No. ____ (Bunnings Order number)
Item - ____ - Qty - ____ (Bunnings Item number or fineline & Qty) Item - ____ - Qty - ____
Item - ____ - Qty - ____
Dept - ____ (Department Name eg. Storage & Organisation) GW - ____ Kg (Gross Weight of carton)
Month/Year of shipment (eg. 08/16 – Print Month/Year only)

Dest – B
Order no. 251303
Item no. 2890145 -Qty 5
Item no. 2890211 -Qty 5
Item no. 2890219 – Qty 5
Item no. 2890205 – Qty 5
Dept - Garden Decor
GW- 25kg
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The country of origin (eg. Made in China) is NOT required to be printed as part of our shipping marks. It is not mandatory to include the country of origin with shipping marks. The country of origin is only mandatory on the product packaging.

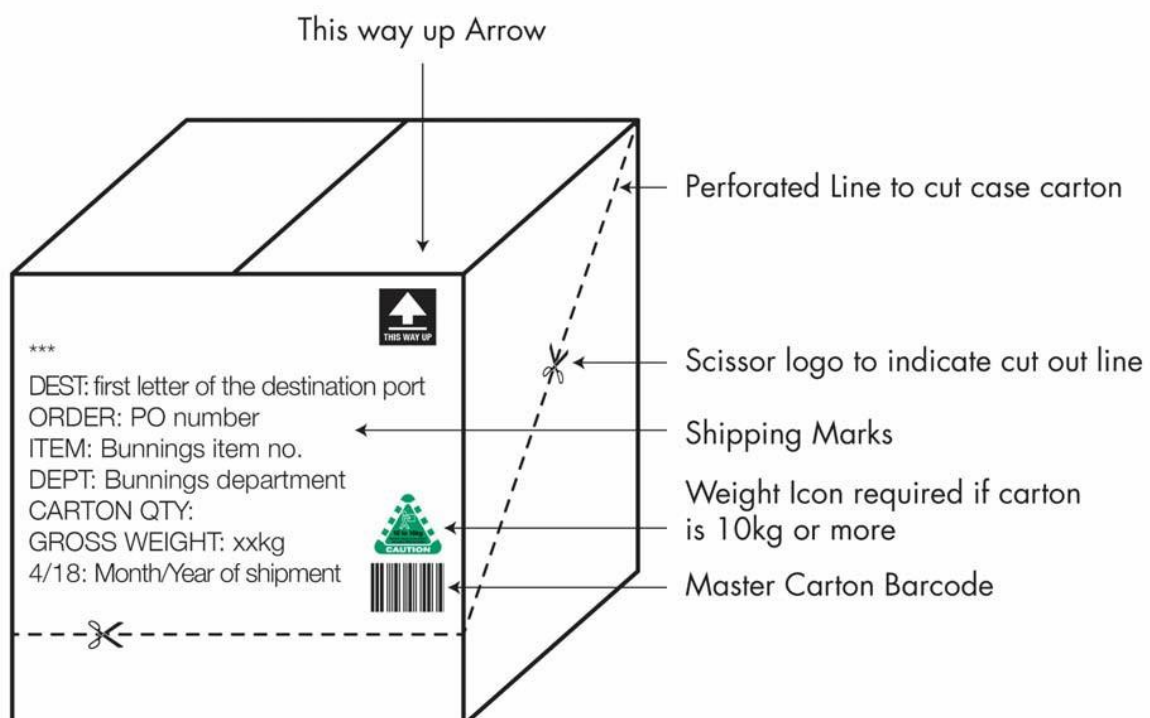
6.8 Full Colour Boxes

Individual products packed in large full colour boxes (eg. BBQ's & Outdoor Furniture) do not require shipping marks to be printed on the carton. Shipping marks are only required on outer cartons which contain multiple products in a carton.

6.9 Shipping Marks on PDQ Carton

Shipping marks printed on PDQ or display cartons must be printed on the tear off section of the carton so they are easily removed when the carton is displayed as side stacks in our store aisles.




All PDQ cartons to be side stacked in our store aisles must be a maximum size of 450 x 450mm. This is to ensure side stack cartons do not obstruct into aisle space allowing space for customers and shopping trolleys. Cartons designed to be stacked on pallets must be a maximum size of 380 x 380mm to enable even stacking.






7.0 Timber Products

Bulky and heavy timber products offer challenges during shipping and handling. To ensure the safety of the team in our stores as well as protect the product from damage, the following guidelines are recommended. Timber pack standards:

- **Maximum weight** per pack: 2.0 metric tons. Packs cannot exceed 500kgs per 1.3m length.
- **Maximum height** per pack: 600mm (inclusive of packaging).
- **Maximum width** per pack: timber packs should not exceed 1100mm in width, sheet products should not exceed 1220mm.
- Ensure that the product weight is evenly distributed across the pallet, regardless of pack length.
- At least three plastic straps are required to secure the timber to the pallet.
- A centre weight identifier (by weight, rather than length) is required on all packs greater than 3m in length.
- Bearers must be one piece of timber rather than multiple pieces joined together.
- Bearers should be secured to the pallet with glue and nails and should be at least 65mm high and wide enough to provide a stable base for palletised stock.

Timber Packaging Examples:		
		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Timber is evenly stacked on the pallet. ✓ Red tape is the centre weight identifier. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ The bearer is too thin. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Bearer is two pieces of timber glued together. These often break apart during handling.

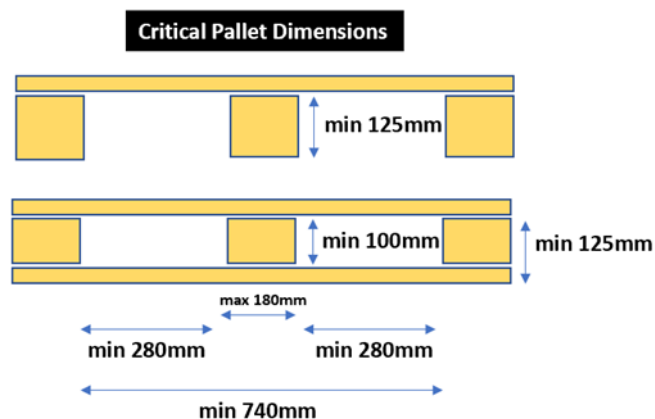
7.1 Timber Labelling standards

Timber products must include:		
Labels that meet the following requirements:	Timber Certification Logos on Certified Products: (Please have certification claims verified by Bunnings Ethical Sourcing/Risk.)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include two labels at the front back and both side of the pack with the Item Number, Description and quantity of the pack. • Font size large enough to be read at 4.5m or greater distance. • Packs greater than 1.3m in length must have the gross weight of the pack attached to the centre of each side of the pallet. 	Labels for timber products that are FSC® certified (100% or MIX), must include the approved FSC® licence panel of the certificate holder. Refer to the FSC® labelling standard for more information.	  <p><i>Example only</i></p>
	Labels for timber products that are PEFC certified must include the approved PEFC licence panel of the certificate holder. Refer to PEFC labelling standard for more information.	 <p><i>Example only</i></p>

7.2 Timber Boards Packaging

Pallet Specifications:

Timber pallet size accepted by Bunnings



- ✗ No exposed nails or staple points



- ✗ Timber pallet – Accepted

- ✗ Plastic Pallet – NOT accepted

Wrap and Packing sheets:



- ✓ Clear recyclable plastic shrink wrap.
- ✓ Cardboard top and corner pillar protection.
- ✓ Plastic Strapping.

- ✗ Black tinted plastic.
- ✗ Single-use plastics.
- ✗ Do NOT over – pack with timber boards.

8.0 Appendix

8.1 Soft Plastic Composition

- Soft or flexible plastics can be scrunched into a ball in your hand.
- Soft plastic packaging cannot be recycled in Australia and New Zealand through residential kerbside waste collection services.
- To recycle soft plastic packaging, consumers need to take their soft plastic packaging to a business or facility that offers this specialised recycling service.
- Soft plastic packaging can be comprised of different polymers that are chemically mixed or laminated together to provide different properties as packaging materials.

Recyclable Soft Plastics:

The following soft plastics can be recycled via supermarkets in Australia and New Zealand:

- HDPE, LDPE, PP and BOPP polymer blends are recyclable when mixed in any ratio.
- Any amount of PET, PVC, PVDC, Polystyrene or bioplastics **CANNOT** be recycled.
- PP and PET are only recyclable if the soft plastic contains less than 30% PET,
- HDPE, LDPE and PP can only be recycled when combined with nylon, EVOH, paper or aluminium if these secondary materials comprise less than 30% of the mix.