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Change Summary

Date of Change	Nature of Change
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1 Introduction

Upon ICAR certification of a device, the manufacturer (and/or distributors) must tag all the devices supplied to the market with a label, which will be provided by ICAR, through a regular order procedure. The aim of the labeling is to identify all measuring, recording, and sampling devices that have received the ICAR certification, and to distinguish them from non-certified ones on the market.

This procedure covers the labeling of the ICAR-certified devices only and does not apply to those sensor systems that have been tested and validated by ICAR. For those sensor systems that are ICAR-validated, ICAR has established rules for the use of the term 'ICAR-validated' and the ICAR logo associated with that validation.

2 Definitions

Label: Adhesive, plastic, non-removable sticker that is applied to ICAR-certified milk recording devices. There are two versions of the label, depending on the type of the device/system:

1. Sensor device or milk meter label (dimensions: 45x30 mm)



Includes the following information:

- manufacturer name,
- device name,
- year of certification,
- species,
- installation type,
- device number,
- ICAR logo, and a
- barcode (2/5 interleaved with unique serial number).

2. Automatic Milking System (AMS)/Voluntary Milking System (VMS) label (dimensions: 100x70 mm)



Includes the following information:

- manufacturer name,
- device name,
- year of certification,
- installation type,
- device number,
- ICAR logo, and a
- barcode (2/5 interleaved with unique serial number), and/or
- QR code that links to ICAR's webpage of certified AMS/VMS and milk sampling device combinations ([here](#)).
- The label for AMS/VMS may be personalized according to the type of the device.

3 Procedure for ordering labels

1. The manufacturer (and/or distributor) sends a Purchase Order (PO) to the ICAR Secretariat. It is requested that POs be submitted at least 20 calendar days before the requested delivery date.
2. The ICAR Secretariat processes the order and delivers the labels to the manufacturer together with the invoice to be paid within 30 calendar days.

Notes on Label Orders:

- i) If it is a first-time order, the ICAR Secretariat provides the manufacturer with a sample label drawing and information about cost and delivery times in advance.
 - ii) Before delivering the labels to the manufacturer, the ICAR Secretariat does a visual check to a sample of the labels.
3. The manufacturer applies the labels to the ICAR-certified devices prior to placing them on the market.

4 Misuse of labels

The labels provided by ICAR must be applied exclusively to the device for which they are intended.

Any misuse (in the form of application to a different ICAR-certified device or to a non-certified device) must be reported to ICAR, who will take the necessary steps to inform the market and ensure that the misuse stops.