

RFID Tag Supplier Mandates: ARC Approval Process

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This checklist contains information about the ARC Approval Process, including questions and required information so that you have all the details before the submission process. To learn about the full process, from buying RFID tags, to testing and placement, [click here to read our article](#).

Please contact us with any questions about retailer RFID Tag Mandates or the ARC approval process - sales@atlasRFIDstore.com, call us, or chat with us on our website - atlasRFIDstore.com.

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RFID Lab Process for Submission

For more information:
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The following steps are required by Auburn University's ARC Program and RFID Lab for the submission of RFID tags to be validated for retailer RFID tag mandates. If you have a question about one of these steps, please **contact us** via the contact information above. These requirements are per product supplier, per brand, per packaging agency, per RFID inlay type.

- **STEP ONE**
Complete the submission form **specific to your product category**.
- **STEP TWO**
Once the form has been submitted and confirmed, the RFID Lab's shipping information will be provided within the confirmation.
- **STEP THREE**
Package up 5 encoded inlay samples of each SKU and the email confirmation. These tags must be production quality.
- **STEP FOUR**
Testing will not begin until the printed confirmation form and RFID tags have arrived at the lab.
- **STEP FIVE**
The RFID Lab will be tracking supplier name, date of submissions, brand, inlay, & approvals.
- **STEP SIX**
The actual product that the tags will be placed on will only need to be sent when specifically requested by the RFID lab. *Please note: Any product sent to the RFID lab will NOT be returned to the product supplier.*
- **STEP SEVEN**
Product Suppliers are responsible for submitting their own samples to the RFID Lab. Packaging resources or 3rd party companies cannot submit samples on behalf of the Product Suppliers to the RFID Lab.
- **STEP EIGHT**
Product Suppliers who decide to switch inlay models and/or inlay providers and/or Service Bureau information AFTER receiving validation from the RFID Lab will need to re-submit tag samples again for validation.
- **STEP NINE**
Product Suppliers who decide to change or add new packaging with materials that may interfere with readability, will need to re-submit tag samples again for validation.
- **STEP TEN**
Once you receive an email approval from the RFID Lab, no further action is needed, and you are approved to move forward with bulk ordering and production.

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The following items are required information that all suppliers must provide before sending their RFID tags to the RFID Lab for validation. For more information about one or more of these items, feel free to **contact us** via the contact information above.

REQUIRED ITEMS - FOR THE SUBMISSION FORM

- Vendor Name
- Vendor ID
- Contact Name
- Contact Email
- Walmart Buyer Name
- Shipment Carrier
- Shipment Tracking Number
- GTIN/UPC for Item Submitted
- Item File Upload
- Brand Name
- Brand Type
- Department Number
- Inlay Spec / Manufacturer / Model
- RFID Packaging Provider
- Packaging Type
- Do the Products Contain Metal? Yes/No
- Do the Products Contain Liquids? Yes/No
- Do the Products Contain Foil? Yes/No
- Tagging Location Photo/Video

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REQUIRED ITEMS - FORM APPROVAL CHECKLIST

- The information and RFID tags submitted are submitted directly by the Walmart Product Supplier.
- A complete item file that follows the item file template has been provided.
- Five RFID tags of the representative UPC mentioned above will be included in the package being sent to Auburn University's RFID Lab.
- The tagging location photos submitted show clearly the whole product and the RFID tag's placement on that product and follow the photo guideline. (Photo uploader provided on submission form)
- The inlay used in the RFID tag does not have any damage.
- The RFID tags include an EPC symbol.
- All five RFID tags submitted and sent to the RFID Lab will be production samples.
- GTIN/UPC for Item Submitted.
- An email confirmation will be sent after submitted this form. Please print and include the confirmation in the tag shipment to Auburn University's RFID Lab.