

Technical Information

Generating lot numbers and labeling on GKE packages

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Many GKE products consist of more than one component which are manufactured in separated steps and have separate lot numbers. Inside the package are several components which may have individual lot number, e.g. sealing kit, PCD, directions for use, package label, documentation sheet etc.

GKE indicates a lot number on all packages, to be able to trace all components. However, this lot number (Package Lot) on the outer packaging is different from the lot number printed on the main component (Main Component Lot or Indicator LOT). The batch number of the main component is additionally indicated on the outside label with Indicator LOT (formerly Main Component Lot). The main component is, for example, chemical or biological indicators.

For years, we have received inquiries about both LOT numbers. Therefore, we have clearly distinguished the two LOT numbers.

Package Lot:

shows all components that are in the box.

Indicator LOT:

Batch number of the indicator mentioned on biological or chemical indicators on front or back side and on relevant certificates.

If one product contains more than one main component (e.g. start-up kit with PCD and indicator strips) the lot number of the indicators will be stated on the package as **Indicator LOT** of the main component. This also applies for start-up kits consisting of PCD and indicators.

Testsets with different PCDs do not contain a main component lot on the package but with the Package Lot the package content can be determined GKE-internally.