

## **gke Steri-Record® Autoclave tape**

### **for steam sterilization processes**

Art. no.	Product Code	Quantity [roll à 50m]	Description/ Content
211-351	<b>C-S-L-1-AT</b>	12	self-adhesive indicator tape for tying up soft-wrapped packages, to be used in steam sterilization processes
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#### **Handling information:**

Autoclave tape can be used in all types of steam sterilization processes using a minimum temperature of 115 °C and above. The indicator fully complies with the requirements of EN ISO 11140-1.

Process indicators are adhered on top of packages or are slipped into the fixtures of containers. We do not recommend to adhere process indicators directly onto metal containers. For this application we recommend to use container seals (art.-no: 211-362) or container labels (art.-no. 211-341) which the indicator tape can be adhered to. The seal may also be used for documentation purposes.

All process indicators placed on top of a package provide the information that the package has been exposed to a steam sterilization process on condition that the indicator color has changed to brown/black.

It is well-known that the sterilization conditions in wrapped goods or inside of hollow devices are absolutely different in comparison to the conditions on the package surface depending on the sterilization process, air removal and steam consistence. The application of a process indicator is therefore no substitute for the routine monitoring of the sterilization process inside of packages.

A process indicator exclusively behaves as a logistical information to differentiate between sterilized and non-sterilized goods.

To monitor the sterilization process conditions inside of packages we recommend the usage of indicators being placed inside of packs, or if hollow devices are sterilized we recommend the **gke Steri-Record®** Batch Monitoring Systems. The process challenge device (PCD) is simulating the steam penetration in hollow devices.

Process indicators may be discharged after use with normal garbage.

Do not use the process indicators after expiration.

In case further technical assistance is required, do not hesitate to contact your **gke** distributor or the **gke** application laboratories.

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