

Recycling Compliance

HandRAP Paper or Film (BOPP) Bags with External CartonBoard Fitments.

Pack Construction:

We confirm that:

- All Paper HandRAPs produced by Rapid Action Packaging Ltd. consist of a PE (extrusion coated Polyethylene) lined paper bag combined with Cartonboard (Folding Box Board – FBB).
- All Film HandRAPs produced by Rapid Action Packaging Ltd. consist of a BOPP (Biaxially Oriented Poly-Propylene - BOPP) film bag combined with Cartonboard (Folding Box Board – FBB).

The PE or BOPP is necessary to ensure that moisture and oils in the food product remain in the bag and the product remains fresh.

- The Cartonboard and paper used are produced using wood and pulp from Managed Forests and can be FSC or PEFC certified by agreement.
- The BOPP film is produced in compliance with UK, European and FDA regulations for food contact plastics and contains no toxic materials, PVC or PVdC derivatives.
- Inks, varnishes and adhesives used, are a small proportion of the pack weight, and do not contain heavy metals or any other components that interfere with the recycling of Cartonboard or paper.

Recycle Labeling under the OPRL scheme in the UK:

The amount of PE on the paper used for HandRAP is a very low coated weight and is less than 10% the weight of the pack. This means it can be included in paper/board recycling.

Members of the OPRL logo scheme in the UK may label their products with the OPRL green square and recycle arrow and the following statements:

For the paper based HandRAP the entire product may be labelled as follows:

- **Paper/Board – widely recycled**

For the BOPP film based HandRAP the following instructions and labelling should be used:

- **Separate bag from board.**
- **Board – widely recycled.**
- **Plastic – not currently recycled.**

Recycling in Other Regions:

Although the above statements are specifically for the UK. Paper and board are almost universally recyclable in all regions of the globe and so similar statements may be used in any other region where paper/board recycling facilities exist.