

SAFE LABELS FOR FOOD PACKAGING

Caponago, March 14th, 2017 – Ritrama SpA, the leading Italian manufacturer of self-adhesive materials with 24 production facilities worldwide, **has enhanced its range of high-performance food labelling materials with the introduction of TC8 top coating, the fully certified treatment which is perfectly combined with selected adhesives to come into contact with food.**

All packaged foods come with a nutrition label to provide dietary information. The food packaging industry must meet strict regulations to guarantee the safe use of packaging, which does not contaminate food. This includes labelling, which as an integral part of food packaging, is regulated by specific directives. The stringent requirements a label has to comply with to be considered a suitable packaging material in the food industry include application to cold and moist surfaces, contact with fatty substances, oil, and storage at deep freeze temperatures.

Food Labels do not only communicate important nutritional data in compliance with strict regulation to ensure consumer confidence and safety, but they also serve to attract customers to particular products on the shelves. Our food range features a variety of materials for all food labelling requirements. There is an extensive selection of filmic and paper face materials to provide information and create safe and attractive labels to promote the brand.

EC 1935/2004 & EU 10/2011 Regulation

Standards in the food industry are **EC 1935/2004** - about the use of packaging, which does not contaminate food - as also **EU 10/2011**, which specifically refers to all components of a filmic multi-layer label construction considered part of food packaging: this includes face materials, adhesives and top coatings.

Ritrama offers an extensive selection of innovative label materials that meet the overall framework of food regulations. The products which, feature the ISEGA approved **top coating TC8** and our **adhesives for contact with food**, are fully compliant with European Food Regulations EC 1935/2004 and EU 10/2011; the American FDA 175.105 (Food and Drugs Administration) standard and the German Recommendations on Food Contact Materials issued by BfR (Bundesinstitut für Risikobewertung), the German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment.

All relevant documentation and copies of approvals and compliance declarations are available on request. For more information, please refer to your Ritrama Sales Representative.

ABOUT RITRAMA

Founded in Italy in 1962 Ritrama, an Italian multinational company, is the leading independent supplier of self-adhesive material in Europe and one of the worldwide key players. With more than 1085 employees and 24 facilities located throughout the world, it is considered the largest family-owned company in the self-adhesive industry. Ritrama offers a wide range of products grouped into five divisions - Roll Label, Graphics, Offset Sheets, Industrial and Polifibra. Coating sites and R&D departments are located in Europe, America (North and South) and the Far East. A modern centralized logistics platform is located in the Headquarters in Caponago (near Milan). Ritrama materials are applied in countless highly specialized and commodity industries such as visual communication, food, pharmaceutical and wine labelling, offset and screen printing, industrial labelling and anti-counterfeiting. The Ritrama group has an extensive network of distributors present all over the world to ensure a local "just in time" delivery of the products.

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