



Beverage Basket/Carton Product Use and Handling Guidelines

Package handling for filled Product

GPI's paperboard beverage basket and carton products ("Products") are not designed to sit in standing water. Packaging features should be used in the manner designed: opening features on cartons are not designed to be used for carrying the packaging, and carrying features on cartons and baskets are for carrying purposes only.

Standard Recommended Storage Conditions and Pallet Structure for Un-Erected Product

Products should be stored in dry, ambient conditions within the temperature range of 50 degrees to 80 degrees Fahrenheit and relative humidity of 50-60%. Avoid storing Products on trailers, where condensation can occur due to temperature shifts. To maintain structural integrity of Products, pallets containing un-erected Product should not be double-stacked and should remain wrapped until ready for use. Product should be acclimated to an inside climate for a minimum of four (4) hours before using.

Shelf Life

Products are best if used within 90 days of production for purposes of score memory and erecting packaging on filling lines, but will be of functional quality for 180 days from date of production. Storage and transportation conditions may vary, and can extend or shorten the recommended shelf life. The first in, first out (FIFO) method for managing inventory should be followed. Products are intended for single use.

Glue

Glue should be selected to give sufficient fiber tear. GPI recommends that customers confer with GPI prior to changing the glue to be used on Products after filling in order to ensure the new glue will perform satisfactorily.