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Readers are encouraged to thoroughly read the entire document before making informed decisions regarding ISBT 128 labeling.

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# ISBT 128 LABEL

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 W1234 96 123456 8 S Accurate Blood Center Anywhere, Worldwide FDA Registration Number US License Number Properly Identify Intended Recipient See Guide for information for recipients, organizations, customers and methods of use. This product may transmit infectious agents. L only VOLUNTEER DONOR	 89400 <b>AB</b> Rh POSITIVE  9972322359 Expiration Date 20 AUG 1997
 9972322359 RED BLOOD CELLS ADENINE-SALINE (AS-1) ADDED From 450 mL CPD Whole Blood Shake at 1 to 5°C US License Number 1BA04R1424	Special Testing label goes here Collected and Processed by and/or Further Processing by label can be placed here—may be followed by US License Number 0M96B28044

## Upper Left Quadrant:

The Donation Identification Number will be right-justified, and there will be spaces between the Country/Collection Facility Identification Number, the year of collection, the serial number, the rotated flag characters and the boxed check digit. The alignment will be such that the boxed check digit is aligned with the right edge of the bar code, as illustrated to the right. The “Collected/Processed by” information may be printed in one of two places: in the middle third of this quadrant or, alternatively, in the lower third of the lower right quadrant. This flexibility will permit operational issues to be considered (eg, use of on-demand label printing vs pre-printed label stock). This label, or the lower right quadrant, may also contain information about a secondary processing site. The FDA Registration Number is not bar coded since it can be traced through the Donation Identification Number. In the illustration, one position that the FDA Registration Number and US License Number of the facility can be placed is shown; alternatively it can be placed in the lower left or lower right quadrant.

The US License Number, of course, is only applied by licensed facilities to licensed blood products; a US License Number must not appear on unlicensed blood products. The required label text (Properly Identify, etc) will be printed in the lower third of this quadrant; VOLUNTEER DONOR (or PAID DONOR DONOR) will be printed at the bottom.

## Lower Left Quadrant:

The base label of the primary container will have the manufacturer’s information bar code in the lower third. On primary container base labels that have a RED BLOOD CELLS bar code and label text preprinted, this bar code may remain visible on the finished blood product. The container manufacturer’s bar code may also remain visible on PLATELETS and APHERESIS PLATELETS containers. If a blood product is licensed, the US License Number information can be printed on the Product Code label or in the upper left or lower right quadrant. This flexibility provides some options when planning an operational labeling scheme.

## Upper Right Quadrant:

The ABO/Rh Blood Groups label text may be printed as large as space allows.

## Lower Right Quadrant:

The Expiration Date (and Time) bar code and the bar code text are in the upper third of the quadrant. The label text Expiration Date/(Time) will be printed to the right of the bar code; the bar code text (eg, 01 JAN 1997 14:00 00) will be printed below the bar code. Special Testing information (if this optional bar code is used) will be printed in the middle third of this quadrant. This information may extend into the lower third of the quadrant if the Collected/Processed by or US License Number information is not printed in this space.