

EAS Tagging – All Items Sensored in the Backroom

Overview:

To streamline processing and ensure EAS tagging accuracy among each category of merchandise, all necessary items must be sensed in the backroom. As merchandise is flowed to the sales floor, Associates must double-check for tagging accuracy.

EAS tagging of items other than apparel and shoes will be completed by the bulk / basic sorter. This allows the truck process to continue, without changing the speed of the pacesetter or apparel processor(s). EAS tags must be placed in arms-reach of the bulk and basic sorter, to eliminate steps (if processing on the line).

Review the EAS tagging setup options and determine which fits best for your processing area. *It is recommended that stores with smaller backrooms EAS tag items other than apparel off the line, as shown in option 2*

Option 1: EAS tagging happens on the processing line for ALL items



As pictured on the left; the bulk / basic sorter identifies and sensors hardlines items. This can be done on the line if space allows, or by placing an EAS caddy on the merchandise vehicle. The pictures represent both options.

Ensure that your store's current EAS standards are posted in a visible location for this processing position.

Processing Steps:

1. As items other than shoes and apparel are removed from boxes, the basic and bulk sorter review for EAS tagging. Apparel will be sent down the line to the apparel processor for EAS tagging, and shoes will be processed at the footwear station, off the line.
2. The bulk and basic sorter EAS sensor identified items, prior to placing them in sorted bins.
3. The bulk and basic sorter place items in / on the correct merchandise vehicle, tagged and ready to be flowed to the sales floor.
4. As Associates flow merchandise to the sales floor, they are double checking that items are tagged to standard.

Option 2: EAS tagging happens off the processing line for all hardlines items

(Apparel is sent down to the apparel processors, and all hardlines items needing EAS tags are separated into bins to be tagged at a station before going to the sales floor.)



Processing Steps:

1. As items other than shoes and apparel are removed from the boxes, the bulk sorter and basic sorter review and separate items for EAS tagging. Apparel will be sent down the Nestaflex to the apparel processor for EAS tagging. The shoes will be processed at the footwear station off the line. Any hardlines items for EAS tagging will be sorted into bins and EAS tagged off the processing line.
2. The bulk and basic sorters will sort the EAS items into the labeled hopper bins or laundry bin, depending on the size of the items to be sensed.
3. As associates flow the merchandise to the floor, they will stop at the EAS sensing station (utilizing the footwear-processing table) correctly sensor all items according to the EAS standards. The Associate will then push the items to the sales floor once all items have been sensed properly.