Symbols glossary

SYMBOL	SYMBOL TITLE	EXPLANATORY TEXT	STANDARD TITLE	STANDARD REFERENCE
	Manufacturer	Indicates the medical device manufacturer	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.1.1 ISO 7000 Reference No. 3082
EC REP	Authorized representative in the European Community	Indicates the Authorized representative in the European Community.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.1.2
	Date of manufacture	Indicates the date when the medical device was manufactured.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.1.3 ISO 7000 Reference No. 2497
	Use-by date	Indicates the date after which the medical device is not to be used.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.1.4 ISO 7000 Reference No. 2607
LOT	Batch code	Indicates the manufacturer's batch code so that the batch or lot can be identified.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.1.5 ISO 7000 Reference No. 2492
REF	Catalogue number / Part number	Indicates the manufacturer's catalogue number/part number so that the medical device can be identified.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.1.6 ISO 7000 Reference No. 2493
SN	Serial number	Indicates the manufacturer's serial number so that a specific medical device can be identified.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.1.7 ISO 7000 Reference No. 2498
	Fragile, handle with care	Indicates a medical device that can be broken or damaged if not handled carefully.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.3.1 ISO 7000 Reference No. 0621
	Keep away from sunlight and/or heat	Indicates a medical device that needs protection from light sources and/or heat.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.3.2 ISO 7000 Reference No. 0624
	Keep dry	Indicates a medical device that needs to be protected from moisture.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.3.4 ISO 7000 Reference No. 0626
	Temperature limit	Indicates the temperature limits to which the medical device can be safely exposed.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.3.7 ISO 7000 Reference No. 0632
	Do not re-use / Single use	Indicates a medical device that is intended for one use, or for use on a single patient during a single procedure	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.4.2 ISO 7000 Reference No. 1051
	Consult instructions for use	Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use.	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.4.3 ISO 7000 Reference No. 1641
	Caution	Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use for important cautionary information such as warnings and precautions that cannot, for a variety of reasons, be presented on the medical device itself	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.4.4 ISO 7000 Reference No. 0434A
LATEX	Contains natural rubber latex	Indicates natural rubber latex as a material of construction within the product	Medical devices – Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied – Part 1: General requirements	ISO 15223-1 Reference No. 5.4.5
MD	Medical device	Indicates the item is a medical device	N/A	N/A
CE	CE Mark	Indicates that a product complies with applicable European Union regulations	New approach directive Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC	New approach directive Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC
Rx only	Prescription Device	Indicates that the product is a medical device and Federal Law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a dental professional	21 CFR 801.109 Prescription Devices	21 CFR 801.109 Prescription Devices