



GTIN Allocation Team Breakout session feedback

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Yesterday's Breakout – GTIN Allocation

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Executive Summary

- Great feedback, good discussion – thank you
- Broad Consensus on overall structure
- Agreements made in principle:
 - Team needs to see the re-worded documents
 - September 2006 remains target to provide HUG with final draft



Agreement (example) – some quick wins

Type of Change to Trade Item

Addition of a Certification Mark → New GTIN

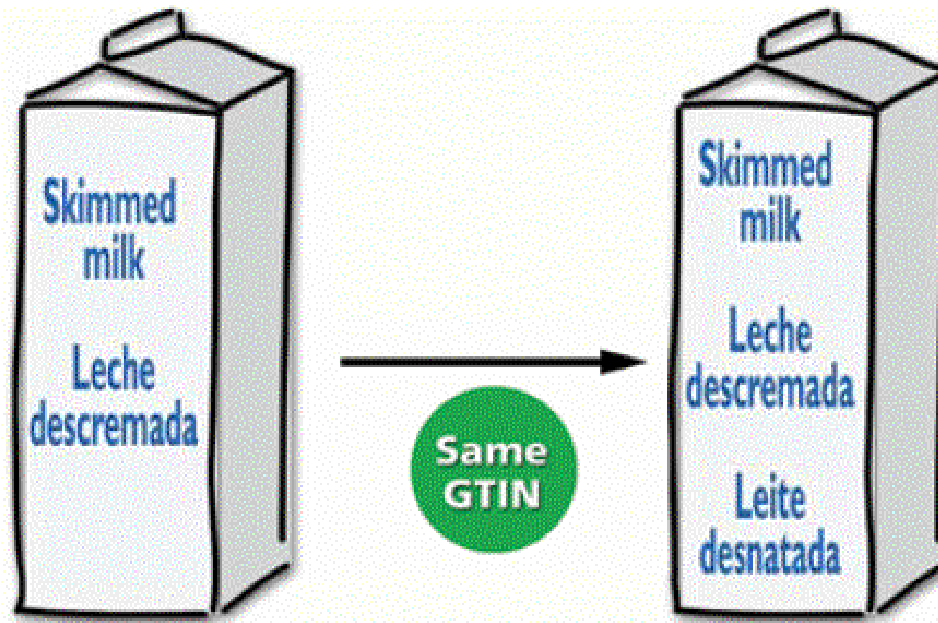




Agreement - Additional Language on package

Type of Change to Trade Item

Addition of a another language for new market → Same GTIN



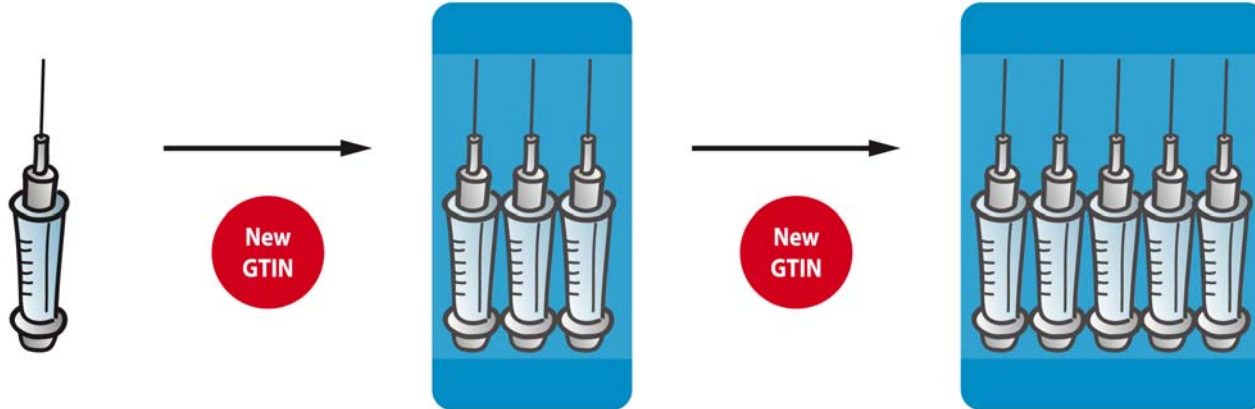
Add a note and consequence will be added to highlight the conditions under which manufacturers would wish to allocate a New GTIN if an additional language was added.



Packaging Level – Unit of Use Bar Coding level

Packaging Level Indicators

Just use term '*Indicator*'



Agreement - Significant changes (images, notes and consequence) were suggested to the draft. The key principle to be applied were:

- the GTIN identifies the item and all it's packaging
- identical items have identical GTINs
- different packaging levels (e.g., unit of use, 3-pack, 5-pack, case, ...) be assigned different GTINs



Kits (Combination of Independent Items)

Agreement

- Significant changes (images, notes and consequence) were suggested to the draft.

The key principle to be applied were:

- Different combinations of items required a different kit GTIN
- The shortest Expiry Date of an item in the kit is used for the Expiry Date for the kit.
- Any change to any component of the kit 'significant to the customer' would lead to a change to the kit GTIN
- Where the components of kit came from different manufacturers, the manufacturer of the kit would be responsible for GTIN assignment.



Date Coding

Expiry Dates vs Best Before Dating

- **Agreement** – add a section on different Application Identifiers
 - Expansion in scope

Expiry Date where day is not relevant (e.g., March 2009)

It was stressed that using '00' as a day field was not a practical solution for Information Technology Systems. It was also noted that business rules were required by all systems what to do in this case (e.g., should an item with an Expiration Date of March 2006 not be used after 1 March 2009 or 15 March 2009 or 31 March 2009?)

Agreement – In Healthcare all Bar Coded Dates should have a valid day based upon business rules (e.g., stability data).



Next Steps

David to update the GS1 HUG GTIN Allocation Rules (Draft version 1.0) based on feedback.

New requirements to be considered in next draft:

- Use of other GS1 Application Identifiers (SSCC, Product Variant, etc.)
- Bar Code decision tree (UPC-A, DataMatrix, etc.)
- etc.

Target Date for completed September 06

You participation Encouraged

- Thank You



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