

# Safetemp ®

# **Retail Food Display Temperature Monitors**

## **Reversible Temperature Indicators**

### What They Are:

These self-adhesive labels consist of a temperature-sensitive element containing microencapsulated **Thermochromic Liquid Crystal** (TLC) coated on a black backing. This element changes color distinctly as its rated temperature is reached and maintained. The color changes are reversible meaning that the reflected color will turn black as the temperature is reversed. Safetemp labels can be ascending (SCA) or descending (SCB) that is change from black to a color as temperature increases or black to a color as the temperature decreases.

#### How safetemp labels work:

The temperature sensitive elements contain TLC molecules that are very sensitive to temperature and change their arrangement in response to changes in temperature. This change in molecular geometry affects the way in which the TLC interacts with light, resulting in a change in the color of each temperature event.

When the rated temperature of an indicator is reached, the TLC changes its form from reflecting (color) to non-reflecting (black) or vice versa. This causes the color-change at the temperature event to occur.

#### Label Construction:

Component: Polyester film	<u>Thickness</u> >75, 125, 175µ		Polyester
Graphic Print Liquid Crystal Ink Black Backing	(Depending on label type) 10-20μ 50-100μ 10-20μ	Black Graphic Print	•
Adhesive & carrier Release Liner	150-180µ 75µ	Black Backing —	⊢ Liquid Crystal Inks
		Adhesive and Carrier	Release <b>⊸</b> Liner

Above values are general guides using the standard products as a representative example.



Adhesive Tape	Double-coated Adhesive Tape
Covering Film	Polyester 5 mil stock
Color Change Material	Non-toxic mixture of liquid crystal esters
Accuracy	+2°C
Guarantee	12 months from invoice date when stored at room temperature (i.e. 21°C (70°F) & 50% relative humidity).

# Reading safetemp Labels:

The correct temperature is indicated by the event on the TLC thermometer that turns color.

#### **Custom Products:**

In addition to the standard **Safetemp** labels, which cover the temperature range of 0-145°F, a full custom manufacturing service is available and products can be manufactured to meet customers' precise requirements of, for example, size, shape, color, temperature range, number of temperature elements, and/or graphic printing (custom logos). Please ask for details.