

# **SOLUM Newton Pro Full Color**

# **Electronic Shelf Label Datasheet**

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# **Summary**

This datasheet presents the general performance and specifications of Newton Pro Full Color Label for SOLUM Electronic Shelf Label (ESL) System.



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# **Document History**

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## 1 Preface

# 1.1 About This Guide

This datasheet presents the specification and general performance of SOLUM's Newton Pro Full Color Electronic Shelf Labels (ESLs) lineup.

## 1.2 Audience

This manual is intended for any user (IT, operations, store managers, installers, etc.) authorized to operate and install SOLUM ESLs.

# 1.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

| Terminology/Abbreviation | Description            |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| GW                       | Gateway                |  |  |  |
| ESL                      | lectronic Shelf Label  |  |  |  |
| RF                       | Radio Frequency        |  |  |  |
| IT                       | Information Technology |  |  |  |
| PoE                      | Power over Ethernet    |  |  |  |
| TBD                      | To Be Decided          |  |  |  |



## 2 Overview

SOLUM Newton Pro Full Color Electronic Shelf Labels (ESLs) are components to a total SOLUM's ESL System. The SOLUM's ESL System consists of the ESLs, Gateway(s), Server, and optional accessories (such as the Newton Pro Full Color Remote Controller) and is used to electronically displays key information such as price and Product information, that are traditionally printed or written on paper in environments like supermarkets, warehouses, and factories.

SOLUM's Newton Pro Full Color ESLs are the industry leading solutions that provide the longest battery life (beyond 10 years), fastest update speed, built in LEDs, built in button IP68 rating for various environments, multiple pages per ESL, and more to take the operation beyond just displaying information on the ESLs with a wide range of colors.

Newton Pro Full Color ESLs come in various sizes and colors to meet all customer use cases. They are battery powered for ease of deployment and wirelessly receive updates from SOLUM Gateway for.



Figure 1. Newton Pro Full Color Product LINE-UP



# 3 Specification

This section details specification of each ESL by size. ESLs are identified by the diagonal measurement of the display in inches. For example, a 2.9" ESL is referring to an ESL with the diagonal display dimension of 2.9".

# 3.1 Product Specification

| Item                                | Description   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Label Dimensions<br>(W x H x D(mm)) | <b>4.0</b> ": 110.4 x 72.26 x 14.5 mm (4.35 x 2.84 x 0.57 inch) <b>7.3</b> ": 125.0 x 182.9 x 15.95 mm (4.92 x 7.20 x 0.63 inch) <b>8.2</b> ": 139.5 x 208.3 x 15.95 mm (5.49 x 8.20 x 0.63 inch) <b>13.3</b> ": 223.2 x 300.8 x 16.5 mm (8.79 x 11.84 x 0.65 inch) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Display Dimensions<br>(W x H(mm))   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Label Weight                        | <b>4.0</b> ": 87.3g <b>7.3</b> ": 231.7g <b>8.2</b> ": 239.7g <b>13.3</b> ": 788.1g   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Viewing Angle                       | Nearly 180°   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Display Colors                      | ● ○ ● ○ ● ● KWRYGB (black, white, red, yellow, green, blue)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Battery                             | Type and quantity of batteries defer based on ESL  4.0": CP 1500mAh 7.3": CP 3500mAh 8.2": CP 3500mAh 13.3": CP 7000mAh   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wireless Communication              | 2.4 GHz Unlicensed ISM band<br>BLE physical layer with SOLUM Proprietary Protocol   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Communication Distance              | 98 feet (30m) radius Line of Sight  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Security                            | 128-bit AES Encryption  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Compliance                          | FCC, CE, RoHS   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating Temperature               | 32°F ~ 122°F (0°C ~ 50°C) @45~70% RH  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Storage Temperature                 | 32°F ~ 122°F (0°C ~ 50°C) @45~70% RH  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



# 3.2 Radio (RF) Specification

| Item | Doromotor                            | Specification |     |     | Unit | Condition                     |
|------|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|-------------------------------|
| item | Parameter                            | Min           | Тур | Max | Unit | Condition                     |
| Tx   | Tx Power                             |               | 4   |     | dBm  |                               |
|      | [Carrier Frequency Offset and Drift] | -75           | 0   | 75  | kHz  |                               |
|      | Tx Current                           |               | -   | 10  | mA   | total current at max Tx Power |
| Rx   | Receiver Sensitivity                 | -85           | -   | -   | dBm  | PER < 5%                      |

# 3.3 NFC Specification

| ltom | Darameter     | Specification |     |     | Unit | Condition |
|------|---------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|
| Item | em Parameter  |               | Тур | Max | Onit | Condition |
| NEC  | Read Distance | -             | 0.7 | -   | in   |           |
| NFC  |               | -             | 20  | -   | mm   |           |

NFC antenna location shown for each ESL size.

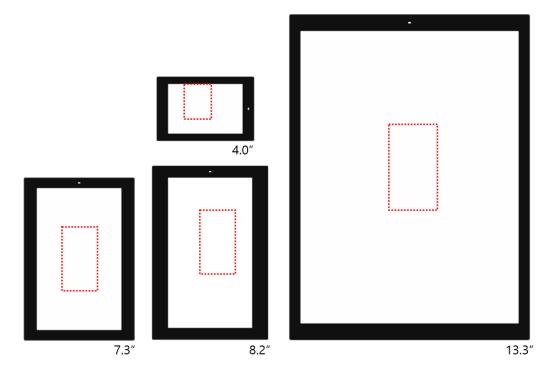


Figure 2. NFC LOCATION



## 3.4 Features

Some of the features of SOLUM ESL.

- Low power consumption (up to 10year battery life)
- 'Real time' update speed
- SOLUM Proprietary Protocol communication with SOLUM Gateway for added security

| Item                | Description   |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| LED                 | 7 colors (Red, Green, Blue, Yellow, Cyan, Magenta, White) |  |  |  |  |
| Usable Pages        | 4.0": 7 pages 7.3": 7 pages 8.2": 3 pages 13.3": 3 pages  |  |  |  |  |
| NFC                 | Built-in Felica NFC Forum Type 3                          |  |  |  |  |
| IP Rating           | IP68  |  |  |  |  |
| Housing Bezel Color | White, Black  |  |  |  |  |



# 3.5 Mechanical Drawing





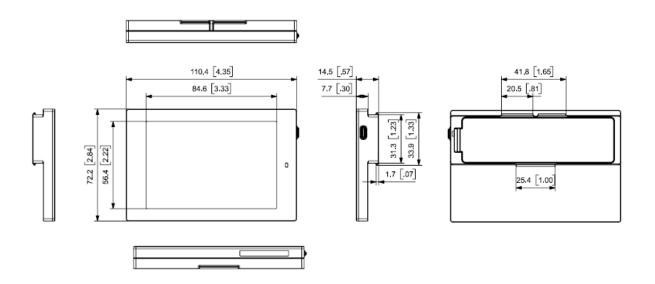


Figure 3. 4.0" Mechanical Dimension







Figure 4. 7.3" Mechanical Dimension





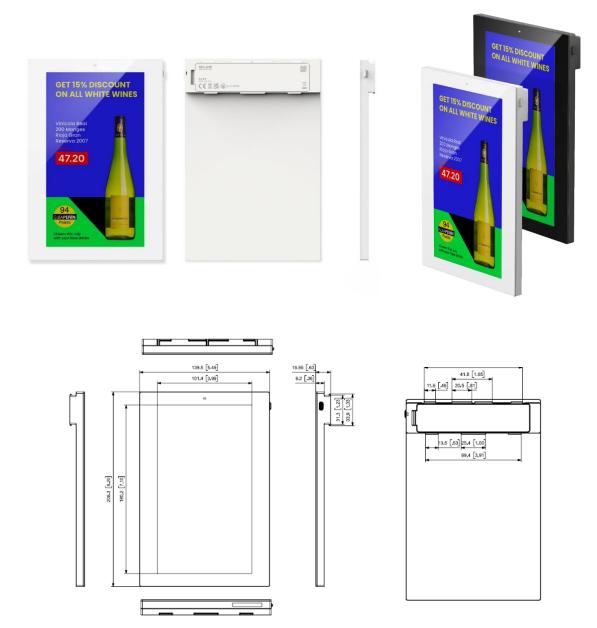
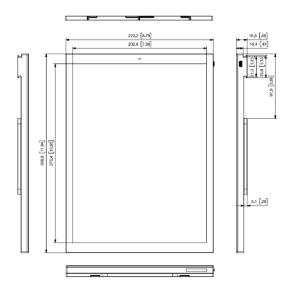


Figure 5. 8.2" Mechanical Dimension









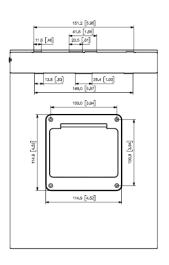


Figure 6. 13.3" Mechanical Dimension



# 3.6 Label Marking



Figure 7. ESL Labels

ESL specific information can be found on the laser marking located on the back of the ESL. Information displayed are: Model, Certifications

- 1) Model: EL-123 **F6**456 (i.e. EL016F6W4A)
  - ① ② ③: ESL Display Size 029=2.9", 043=4.3", 082=8.2", 116=11.6"
  - ④: Housing ColorW =white, B =black
  - ⑤: ESL Display Color 4= RED, YELLOW (BWRY) , 6=SPECTRA 6
  - ⑥: ESL Tag Type
    A=(Button, NFC,LED)

| Size  | Model Name     |                |  |  |  |
|-------|----------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Color | White          | Black          |  |  |  |
| 4.0"  | EL040H6W6A/WWW | EL040H6B6A/WWW |  |  |  |
| 7.3"  | EL073H6W6A/WWW | EL073H6B6A/WWW |  |  |  |
| 8.2"  | EL082H6W6A/WWW | EL082H6B6A/WWW |  |  |  |
| 13.3" | EL133H6B6A/WWW | EL133H6B6A/WWW |  |  |  |



## 3.7 Initial display image

ESL specific information can be found on the image of the ESL. Information displayed are but not limited to: IC, FCC ID, Model, ESL Media Access and Control (MAC) Address.

Information can be found in the image below. MAC barcode and 12-digits code will be shown on the display and the label can be found in the side of the ESL as well. They are to be scanned for operation.

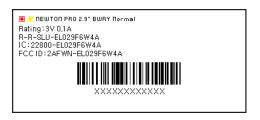


Figure 8. ESL Labels (MAC)

#### 3.8 Certifications

Each ESL has the following certifications and should be noted for your region.

| Size  | Model      | FCC | IC | CE* | UKCA | TELEC | KC |
|-------|------------|-----|----|-----|------|-------|----|
| 4.0"  | EL040H6W6A | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0    | 0     | 0  |
| 7.3"  | EL073H6W6A | 0   | 0  | О   | 0    | 0     | 0  |
| 8.2"  | EL082H6W6A | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0    | 0     | 0  |
| 13.3" | EL133H6B6A | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0    | 0     | 0  |

- IEC 62471 standard (Photobiological Safety of Lamps and Lamp Systems) compliant

\*CE: RF/EMC/LVD/RoHS2

#### 3.8.1

#### 3.8.2 FCC

WARNING: This equipment may generate or use radio frequency energy. Changes or modifications to this equipment may cause harmful interference unless the modifications are expressly apProved in the instruction manual. The user could lose the authority to operate this equipment if an unauthorized change or modification is made.

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.



NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications, However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

#### 3.8.3 CE

We hereby declare under our sole responsibility that the electrical product above is in compliance with the essential requirements of the Radio Equipment Directive (2014/53/EU) by application of

EN 60950-1:2006+A11:2009+A1:2010+A12:2011+A2:2013

EN 62479:2010

EN 301 489-1 V2.2.0

EN 301 489-17 V3.2.0

EN 300 328 V2.2.2

and the Directive (2011/65/EU) on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment by application of EN 62321 Series.

## 3.8.4 IC

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.



# 4 Packaging

# 4.1 4.0"

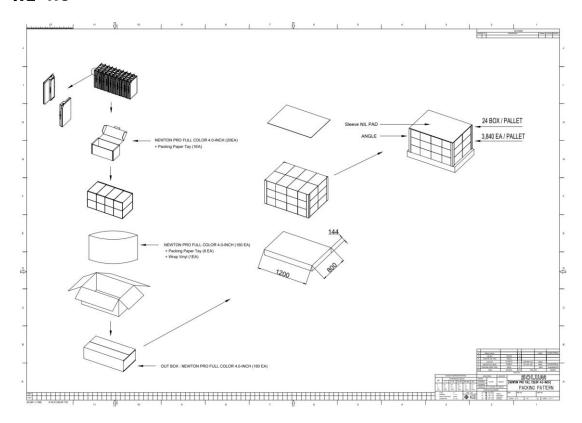


Figure 9. 4.0" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 800)

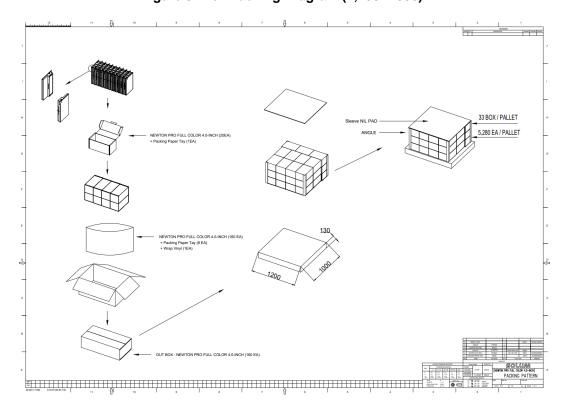


Figure 10. 4.0" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 1,000)



## 4.2 7.3"

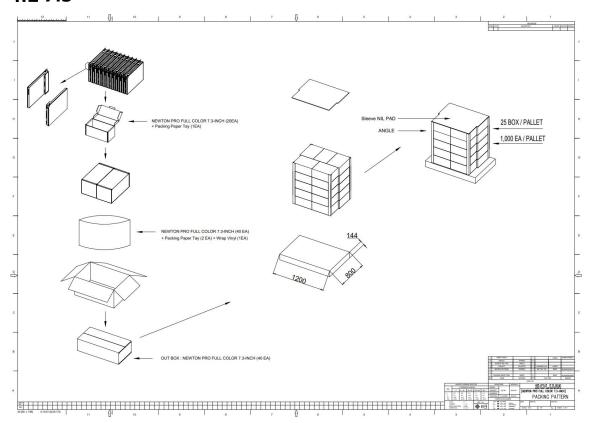


Figure 11. 7.3" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 800)

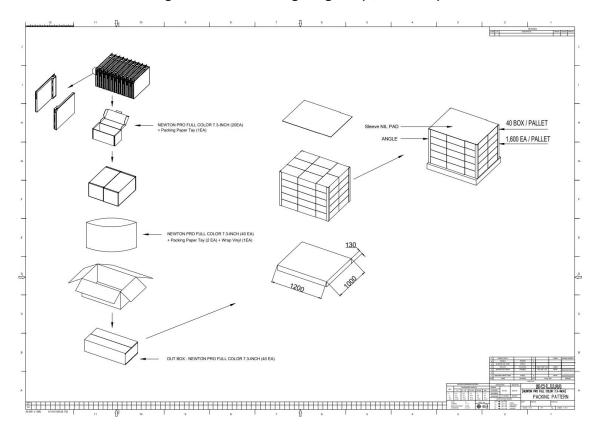


Figure 12. 7.3" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 1,000)



## 4.3 8.2"

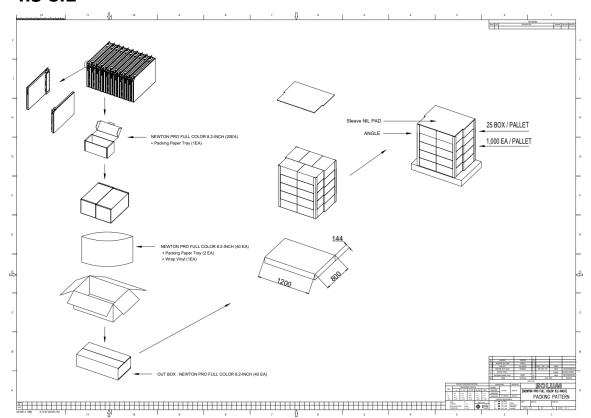


Figure 13. 8.2" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 800)

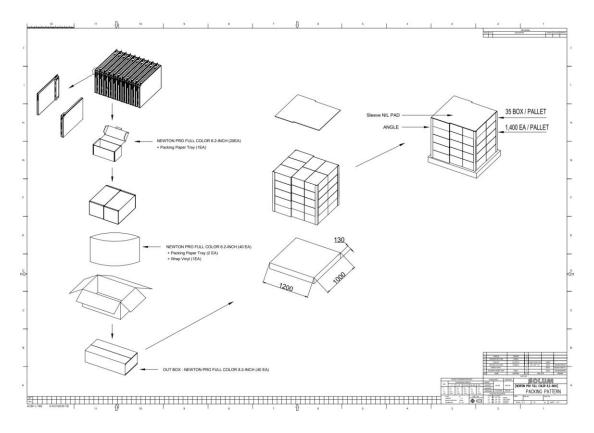


Figure 14. 8.2" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 1,000)



## 4.4 13.3"

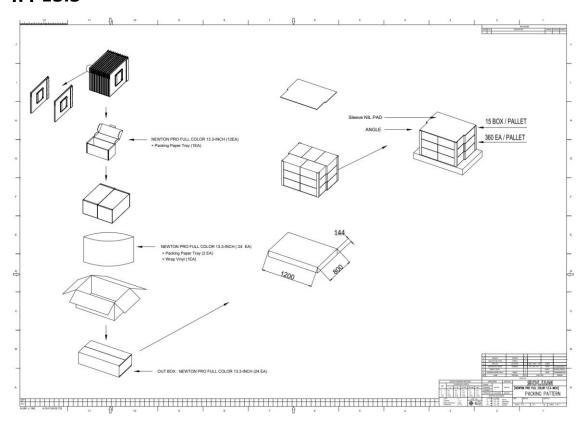


Figure 15. 13.3" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 800)

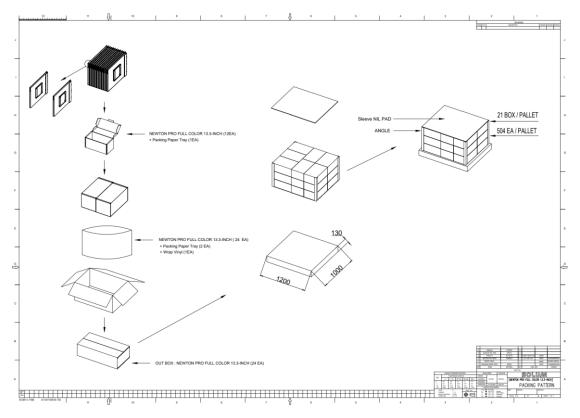


Figure 16. 13.3" Packing-Diagram (1,200 X 1,000)



# **5** Reliability Test

High Temperature Operation

Low Temperature Operation

High Temperature/Humidity Operation

High Temperature Storage

Temperature Shock (Storage)

ESD

Package Drop Test

Package Random Vibration Test

| Test Item                                     | Test Condition   | Pass Criteria                        |  |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| High Temp<br>Resistance                       | 60°C / 35%, 240hrs   |                                      |  |
| High Temp<br>Operation                        | 40℃ / 35%, 240hrs  |                                      |  |
| Thermal Shock                                 | -25°C (for 30mins) ~ 60°C (for 30mins) for 240 cycles  |                                      |  |
| High Temp & Humidity Operation                | 40°C / 70%, 240hrs   | Normal operation after test          |  |
| Low Temp<br>Operation                         | Normal ESL: 0°C (240hrs)   |                                      |  |
| ESD Test                                      | Air ±10KV, 150pF, 330Ω, 10 times/Point   |                                      |  |
| (IEC60529)                                    | Water Proof Test: 15cm x 15cm water tank, 1m depth of water, 30 minutes (IP68 criteria) for Newton Pro tags only | No water ingress into tag            |  |
| RF Sensitivity<br>(Communication<br>Distance) | Gateway <-> Tag distance: 100 meters   | Tag receives RF signal from Gateway. |  |



# **6 Product Handling Precautions**

Provisions should be made to Protect against any damage to the product caused by improper handling. The purchaser assumes any responsibility for damage to the product caused by improper handling.

Product should be stored in 32 °F  $\sim$  122 °F (0°C  $\sim$  50°C) @45 $\sim$ 70% RH environment and should be installed within **90 days** of receipt.

## 6.1 Usage Environment

Take extra caution when using this RF device in the vicinity of other electronic devices and appliances. Most electronic devices and appliances use electromagnetic waves. Electromagnetic waves emitted by this RF device can affect other electronic devices and appliances.

If using the device in an explosion hazard area, follow all safety regulations, instructions, and signals.

# 6.2 Storage and Use

- The product is shipped in sleep mode (white screen), so it should be activated by pressing the button.
- Moisture and liquids can damage internal parts and circuit boards if allowed to enter into the device itself.
- Do not place or store the product on a sloped surface. The product may slide and fall off the surface and become damaged.
- Use the product in temperatures ranges of 0°C~50°C/32~122°F. Parts and circuits may be damaged if operated or stored in extreme temperature.
- The display panel needs extra care during handling.
  - Do not apply any impacts on the e-paper display as it is fragile.
  - Continuous exposure to excessive moisture (over 70% RH) or UV shortens display lifetime.
  - Ghosting image may appear in temperature conditions of less than 15°C/59°F. (If ΔL\* >2, we call it ghosting phenomenon)
- Avoid areas with strong magnetism or subject to magnetism.
  - Contact between the device and a magnetic object can lead to malfunctions.
- Do not place the product near heat-producing kitchen appliances like a stove or a microwave or in the vicinity of highly pressurized containers.
- External impact to the product, such as from being dropped, can damage the product.
- Twisting and bending the product can damage the exterior casing and the internal components.



- If this product operates abnormally while removing battery or replacing battery, it needs to be discharged by contacting the battery terminals (+) and (-) in the product.
- This product uses the 2.4GHz frequency band for the wireless communication network. Radio communications can be limited or affected by other applications that share the same frequency band, such as WiFi, Bluetooth, Zigbee, etc.
- A prior investigation into the radio environment is strongly required for efficient and smooth installation.
- Frequent communications, updates and screen renewals may reduce battery life time.
- Low temperature environments may reduce battery life.
- FIFO (First In First Out)

# **6.3 Product Cleaning**

#### For Spray Cleaning:

#### **Steps**

- 1 Lightly spray all surfaces and wait a few seconds.
- (2) Gently wipe clean using a cloth or tissue.
- (3) Let the labels dry.

# non alcohol

#### Notes:

- Use mild, non-alcoholic detergents or glass cleaner.
- Recommend non-abrasive cloths: Microfiber, Cotton T-shirt, Cotton handkerchief, Cotton tea towel

## For Wet Tissue Cleaning:

#### **Steps**

- 1 Stand or lay down the labels.
- Wipe using wet tissues.
- 3 Let the labels dry.





## **6.4 Battery Replacement**

#### **Audience**

- Authorized personnel with the following knowledge are allowed to replace the battery:

  Battery / Electronic assemblies (e.g. circuit board) / Compliance with the instruction
- Note: Warranty is voided if battery is replaced by unauthorized personnel.
  (When batteries require replacement, please contact the authorized personnel)

#### Instructions

- Risk of short circuit if battery is incorrectly installed/stored.
- Check that hands are dry before and at all times during the replacement Process.
- Keep batteries away from children and infants.
- Do not heat, charge, bend, drop, short-circuit and/or disassemble battery.
- Do not mix together used and new batteries or different battery types.
  - X Note: Battery rarely has minor stain or leak.

## Steps

- 1 Open the battery cover.
- (2) Take out the batteries.
- (3) Put in the new batteries.
- 4) Check the batteries direction.
- (5) Put back in the battery cover.

#### **Battery Direction**

Red Wire: (+) Positive
Black Wire: (-) Negative

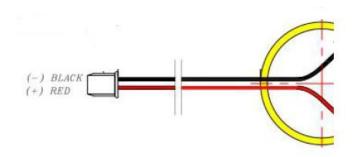


Figure 17. Battery Direction



# 7 Battery Handling Guide

## 7.1 Avoiding hazards in lithium battery handling

#### 1. Do not short circuit (Fig. 1)

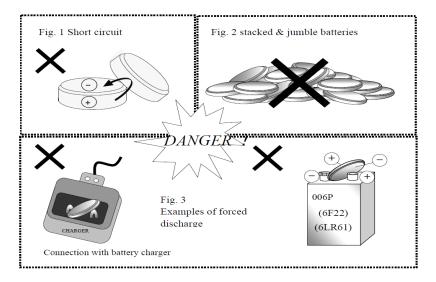
- . Direct connection of plus (+) and minus (-) poles may result in leakage, heat generation, explosion and/or fire.
  - . Do not store and/or carry batteries with metallic items, such as a necklace.

#### 2. Do not stack and/or jumble batteries (Fig. 2)

- . Stacked and/or jumbled batteries may cause a short circuit and/or forced discharge from contact with other batteries.
  - . This may result in leakage, heat generation, explosion and/or fire.

#### 3. Do not make forced discharge batteries (Fig. 3)

- . On a forced discharge by an external power source, the battery voltage goes to negative and this causes gas generation in inside of the battery.
  - . This may result in leakage, heat generation, explosion and/or fire.



#### 4. Do not dispose of batteries in fire

. Disposal of batteries in fire is extremely dangerous with a risk of explosion and violent flaring.

#### 5. Do not heat batteries

. Heating batteries above 100°C/212°F may damage the resin in crimping, separator and other parts, potentially causing an electrolyte leak, internal short circuit, fire and/or explosion.



#### 6. Do not solder directly onto batteries

. Direct soldering onto batteries may damage the resin in crimping, separator and other parts, potentially causing an electrolyte leak, internal short circuit, fire and/or explosion.

#### 7. Do not recharge batteries

. Recharging of batteries may result in internal gas generation, causing electrolyte leak, battery swelling, fire and explosion.

#### 8. Do not disassemble batteries

- . Disassembly of batteries may generate gas that may irritate your throat.
- . Lithium may also react with moisture to generate heat and fire.

#### 9. Do not deform batteries

. Applying extreme pressure to batteries may cause deformation of the crimping and internal short circuit, causing electrolyte leak, battery swelling, fire and explosion.

#### 10. Do not mix different type batteries

- . For some applications, mixing different types of batteries or new and old batteries, can cause an over discharge due to differences in voltage and discharge capacities.
  - . This may lead to the risk of swelling and/or explosion.

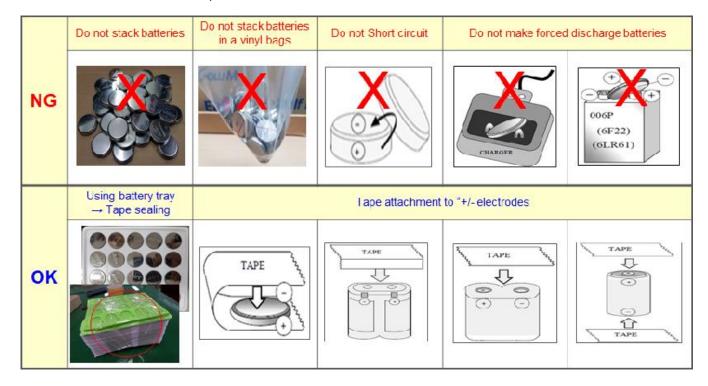
#### 11. Do not insert batteries with opposite polarity

- . For some applications, battery insertion with opposite polarity (reverse insertion of plus and minus) may result in leakage, heat generation, explosion and/or fire.
- \*\* Please ensure the above precautions are strictly observed by related divisions including Production, warehouse, Product technology, sales, quality, customer stores, S/I companies, part-time workers, and external service companies.



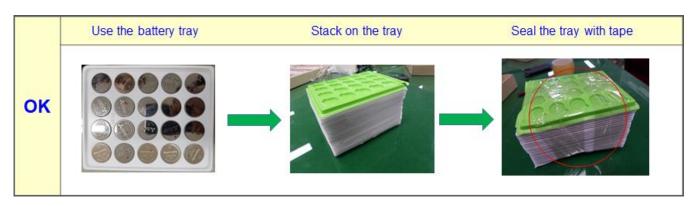
# 7.2 Proper Storing and Disposing of Lithium Batteries

■ To minimize risk of fire and explosion of batteries, be sure to follow the instructions below.



■ Proper use of battery tray is outlined below.

With batteries properly placed into each tray slot → stack the trays in the same orientation → use an empty tray on the top stack → tape the stack together to avoid falling apart.



■ Follow local regulations for proper battery disposal guideline.