

How to order labels for data tapes

OpenStorage provides you with the barcode labels – including cleaning labels – for magnetic tapes and all robotic systems/libraries. As a special service, we deliver the data storage devices to you with your choice of label already applied.

Below you find the basic information you need to know for ordering labels.

DIFFERENT TAPE FORMATS*

- 3592 a proprietary tape format from IBM
- T10000 a proprietary tape format from Oracle
- LTO (Linear Tape-Open Technology) an open format

HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL

T10000 and LTO labels can be ordered either „horizontal“ or „vertical“:

- VERTICAL you have to rotate the label to read the alphanumeric characters.
- HORIZONTAL alphanumeric characters can easily be read.

IDENTIFIER

One or more alphanumeric characters used to uniquely identify the type of media.

e.g. L7 for LTO7 or T1, T2 Oracle T10000 Media and J"x" for 3592 IBM media.

New LTO generation 7 cartridges initialized as LTO-8 Type M have the identifier „M8“:

INITIALISATION

3592 and T10000 tapes can be ordered with initialization service.

Customer can order either EBCDIC or ASCII initialisation.

LABELS FOR CLEANING TAPES

- 3592 cleaning label is black and white has six alphanumeric characters starting with CLN followed by three numbers. Identifier is always „JA“. Alphanumeric characters are always horizontal.
- T10000 The cleaning label is "CLNxxx" where xxx is 000 to 999 to identify each individual cleaning tape. The library recognizes a cleaning cartridge by the label media identifier.
 - CT only for a T10000A or B drive
 - CL for a cartridge used with any model in the T10000 drive family
 Cleaning labels can be ordered „horizontal“ or „vertical“.
- LTO Identifier used for LTO cleaning tapes is generally L1 or CU. Cleaning labels can be ordered „horizontal“ or „vertical“.

CUSTOMIZED LABELS

You can order labels with a logo on either LTO, 3592 or T10000 labels, e.g. your company logo.

