

Wafer-Level Packaging and Packaging Materials Composition

Customer Service Note

Introduction

Whole wafers of Micron's DRAM, NAND Flash memory, and PSRAM are packaged according to specific procedures to help avoid damage during shipping. Micron uses two methods for packaging wafers, including horizontal wafer shippers and vendor boxes. Micron's wafer shipments also include various labels on the inner and outer packages to enable easy identification of contents and verification of orders. The "Packaging Materials Composition" section provides complete shipping and recycling information about each of the materials used for shipping Micron® wafers.

Storage Requirements

Micron die products are packaged in a cleanroom environment for shipping. Upon receipt, the customer should transfer the die or wafers to a similar environment for storage. Micron recommends the die or wafers be maintained in a filtered nitrogen atmosphere until removed for assembly. The recommended moisture content of the storage facility should be maintained at room temperature and relative humidity, and the product should be stored in the original moisture barrier bag packaging, which includes desiccant. Electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage precautions are necessary during handling. The die must be in an ESD-protected environment at all times for inspection and assembly.

Under these conditions, die products contained in horizontal wafer shippers or vendor boxes can remain in storage up to six months.



Packaging Procedures

Micron's wafer shipments are packaged in horizontal wafer shippers or vendor boxes. In addition to its respective inner packing container, each shipping method includes the following: a static-shielding bag, internal padding such as PadPak® or foam inserts, boxes, desiccant, and packing labels.

Horizontal Wafer Shippers

Horizontal wafer shippers, also known as coin stacks, may be used to transport wafers with a thickness ≥200µm for 200mm wafers or full thickness for 300mm wafers. They can hold up to 25 wafers with interleaves placed between each wafer for protection. Horizontal wafer shippers are vacuum sealed in an antistatic bag and placed in a master container with internal padding for shipping. Approximate master container sizes are shown in Table 1.

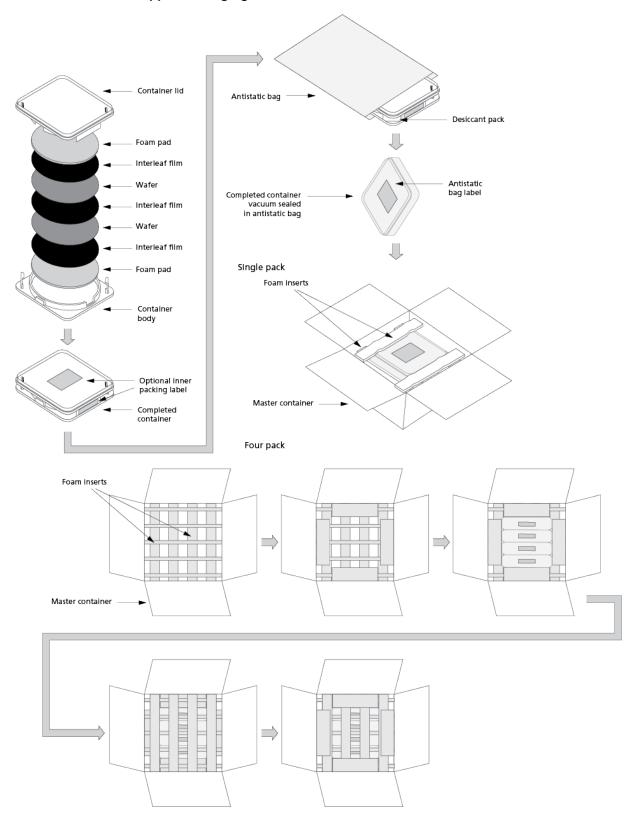
Table 1: Master Container Sizes

Approximate Master Container Dimensions	Number of Shippers per Box	
200mm Wafers (in inches)		
13.75 x 14.5 x 3	1	
16 x 13.25 x 16.75	2–5	
24.5 x 16 x 16.75	6–10	
300mm Wafers (in inches)		
17.25 x 17.25 x 6.06	1	
17.25 x 17.25 x 10.13	2	
17.25 x 17.25 x 14.19	3	
17.25 x 17.25 x 18.25	4	

For specific packaging procedures, see Figure 1 on page 3 (for 200mm wafers) and Figure 2 on page 4 (for 300mm wafers). The same procedure should be followed for repackaging 200µm and thicker wafers in horizontal wafer shippers and returning them to Micron. For more information on returning wafers, refer to CSN-07, "RMA Procedures for Packaged Product and Bare Die Devices," which specifies the process for requesting a returned material authorization (RMA).



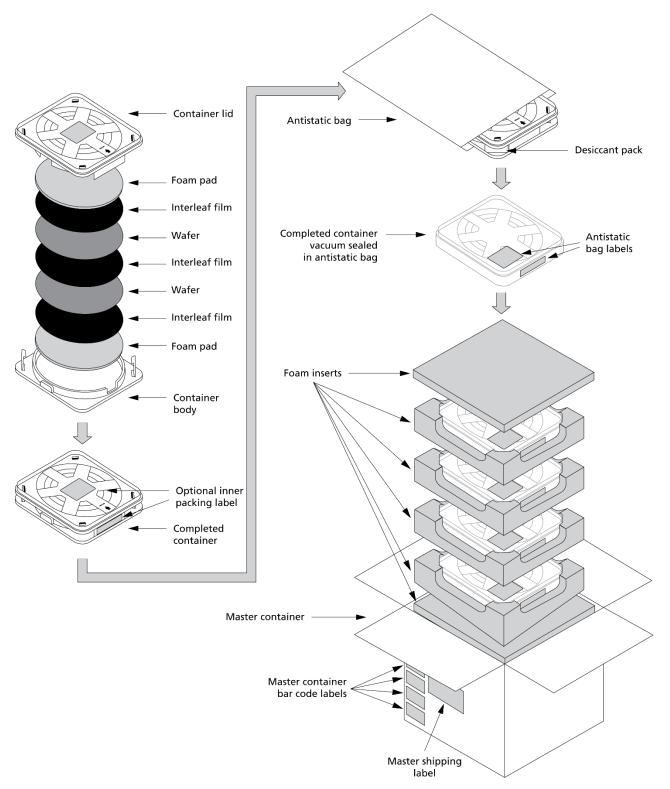
Figure 1: Horizontal Wafer Shipper Packaging for 200mm Wafers



- 1. Figure 1 represents the 24.5in x 16in x 16.75in master container.
- 2. Security tape is added to each outer shipping container (see Figure 4).



Figure 2: Horizontal Wafer Shipper Packaging for 300mm Wafers



- 1. Figure 2 represents the 17.25in x 17.25in x 18.0in (4-pack) master container.
- 2. Security tape is added to each outer shipping container (see Figure 4).



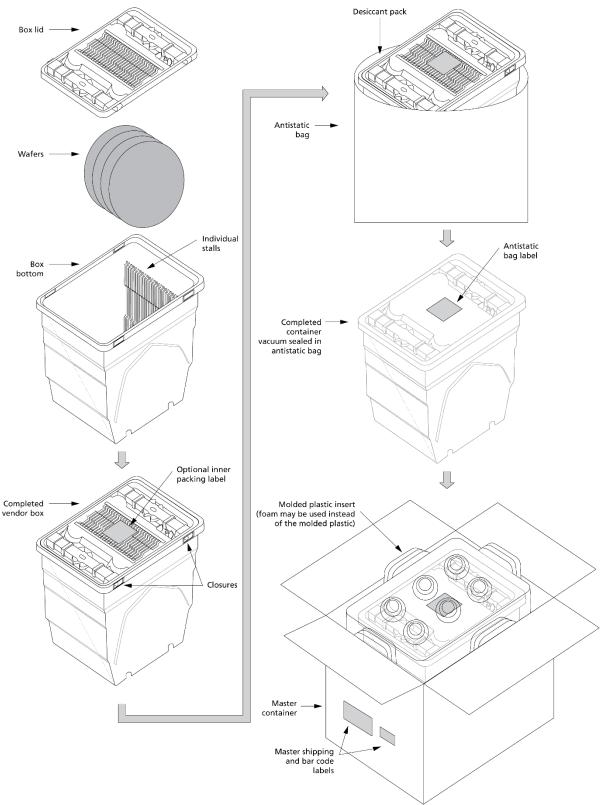
Vendor Boxes

Full-thickness imager wafers of 750µm ±25µm are shipped in vendor boxes that hold up to 25 wafers per box. Wafers are inserted vertically into individual stalls in the vendor box, which is securely closed and vacuum-sealed in a class 100 antistatic bag. For 200mm wafers, up to two vacuum-sealed vendor boxes are placed in a master container measuring 16in x 13.25in x 16.75in (single) or 24.5in x 16in x 16.75in (double) and then surrounded by thick foam inserts. For 300mm wafers, a single front-opening shipping box (FOSB) is placed in a master container measuring 22in x 19.06in x 16.88in and then surrounded by molded plastic inserts or foam. Figure 3 shows how vendor boxes for 300mm wafers are packaged for shipping.

Follow the procedure in Figure 3 for repacking and returning to Micron full thick wafers in vendor boxes. For more information on returning wafers to Micron, refer to CSN-07, "RMA Procedures for Packaged Product and Bare Die Devices," which specifies the process for requesting an RMA.



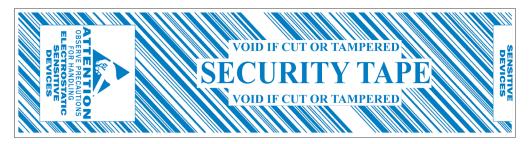
Figure 3: Vendor Box Packaging for 300mm Wafers



1. Security tape is added to each outer shipping container (see Figure 4).



Figure 4: Shipping Container Security Tape Example



Shipping Labels

Shipments of Micron's whole wafers are identified by several shipping and bar code labels, which include the purchase order number, an inventory of the packaged contents, and the number of separate packages in each order. This section contains descriptions and examples of the labels that may appear on Micron's shipments.

Master Container Shipping and Bar Code Labels

Micron attaches a standard shipping label, a standard bar code label, and a singulated die/wafer bar code label to all master containers used in whole wafer shipments. Refer to Figure 6 on page 9 for details about the standard shipping label. Refer to Figure 7 on page 9 and Figure 8 on page 10 for information about the bar code labels. Micron affixes a third label to the inner shipping containers, which is described in the section "Inner Packing Container Labels." Figures 1 through 4 show the approximate placement of these labels for each wafer packaging method.

Master Container Shipping Label Information

Micron's master container shipping labels include the following information:

- Ship-from name: Micron's name and address
- WB#: Courier waybill number
- Child W/B: Waybill number(s) for multiple piece(s) in shipment
- Piece: Master container package count
- PO#s: Customer purchase order number
- Ship-to name: Customer's name and ship-to address
- PKG ID: Invoice or packing slip number
- Shipping plant: The Micron location from which the order was shipped:
 - US01 = Boise, Idaho
 - SG15 = Singapore
 - SG23 = Penang, Malaysia
 - SG24 = Taiwan
 - SG31 = Xian, China



Figure 5: Standard Master Container Shipping Label

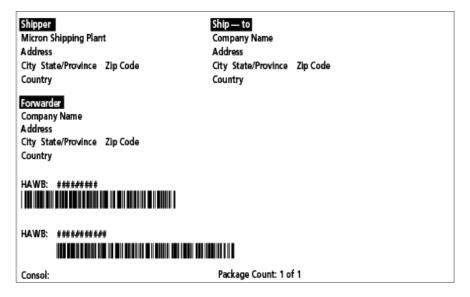
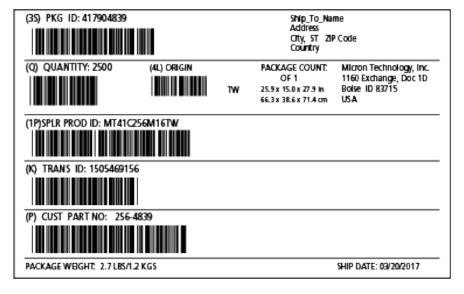


Figure 6: Standard Master Container Bar Code Label



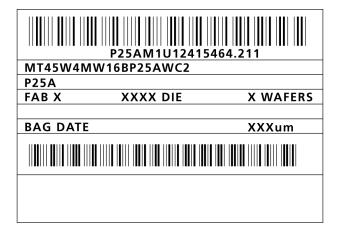
Master Container Bar Code Label Information

Micron's master container bar code labels include the following information:

- Lot number, which is represented by the bar code at the top of the label
- Micron's marketing part number, which is represented by the bar code at the bottom of the label
- Device ID
- · Fab in which the product was made
- Quantity of individual die in shipment
- Quantity of individual wafers in shipment
- Date code, if designated
- Wafer thickness, in microns



Figure 7: Singulated Die/Wafer Master Container Bar Code Label



Inner Packing Container Labels

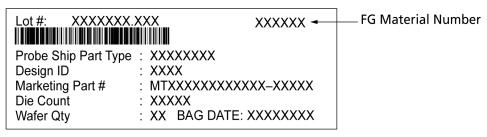
Micron affixes a standard label to each shipment's antistatic bag, shown in Figure 9. Micron also affixes a label to the front-side of each horizontal wafer shipper container's antistatic bag, shown in Figure 10. The labels may be affixed to the appropriate inner packing container as well.

Figure 8: Standard Antistatic Bag and Optional Inner Packing Container Label



1. Die Qty barcode optional.

Figure 9: Horizontal Wafer Shipper Front-Side Antistatic Bag Label



1. Die Count barcode optional.



Packaging Materials Composition

Micron's wafer-level products are usually packaged using one of two methods: coin stack or vendor boxes. Where possible, Micron incorporates recyclable materials both in the internal packing materials and in the external coverings. Table 2 provides descriptions for the wafer-level packaging methods.

Table 2: Wafer-Level Product Packaging Materials

Element	Description ¹	
General		
Boxes	Material: Style:	Corrugated fiberboard RETT w/DF (roll-end tuck-top with dust flaps) or RETT (roll-end tuck-top) Natural kraft
	Color: Recyclable:	Yes
Labels	Base material: Adhesive material: Recyclable:	Matte-coated facestock or synthetic paper Acrylic- or water-based adhesive No
Coin stack ²		
Coin stack	Material: Surface resistivity: Recyclable:	Conductive polypropylene <10 ⁸ ≥ 10 ³ ohms/square Yes
Interleaf OTHER	Material: Surface resistivity: Recyclable:	Carbon-loaded polyolefins or Tyvek [®] <10 ¹² ohms/square Yes
Cushion	Material: Surface resistivity: Recyclable:	Closed-cell polyethylene foam <10 ¹¹ ≥ 10 ⁵ ohms/square per EIA 511.11-1993 Yes
Vendor box ³		
Vendor box	Material: Standards:	Body case: polycarbonate Lid: polycarbonate Carrier and upper holder: polybutylene terephthalate Gasket: polybutylene terephthalate
	Surface resistivity: Recyclable:	Reuse possible

- 1. Contact the factory for questions regarding omitted information.
- 2. Applicable to product shipped in coin stacks only.
- 3. Applicable to product shipped in vendor boxes only.



Revision History

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- Updated Horizontal Wafer Shipper Packaging for 200mm Wafers figure
- Deleted Vendor Box Packaging for 200mm Wafers figure
- Updated Master Container Shipping Label Information
- Updated Standard Master Container Shipping Label figure
- Updated Standard Master Container Bar Code Label figure
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- Updated "Horizontal Wafer Shippers" on page 1
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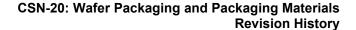
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- Updated Figure 3 on page 6
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- Added Figure 10 on page 10

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- Updated container dimensions to show interior measurements

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- Added Figure 7, Standard Master Container Bar Code Label, on page 9.
- Updated all master container sizes and packing illustration
- Removed last "shipments of image sensor wafers also include face tape" from page 1
- Added "non-imager" to first sentence of Horizontal Wafer Shippers on page 1
- Changed first sentence of Vendor Boxes to "Full-thickness imager wafers of 750μm ±25μm..." on page 2
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