



Printing ULC Marks

Guide for printing ULC certification marks

This guide explains the requirements of Underwriters Laboratories of Canada Inc. (ULC) as they relate to the printing of its registered certification Mark, hereinafter referred to as the Mark. It further assists ULC authorized label printers (suppliers) who reproduce the Mark by helping them understand their obligations.

Authorized Supplier's Agreement (L-110)

Before a supplier may reproduce the ULC Mark, the supplier must properly execute the "Agreement with Supplier of Listing Marks, Classification Markings, and Recognized Component Marks." This agreement between the supplier and ULC establishes the legal obligations of the supplier of ULC's ownership, control of the printing and use of the ULC name. The execution of the Agreement does not in itself constitute permission to manufacture any Marks. Rather, it is a recognition that the Marks are only to be manufactured when and as authorized by ULC. Once the Agreement is properly executed, the supplier becomes authorized by ULC and is eligible to reproduce the Mark. The supplier's name will be added to ULC's Listing Directories and will be accessible via the ULC website at

<http://database.ul.com/cgi-bin/XYV/template/LISCANADA/1FRAME/glabsrch.html>.

To verify adherence to the terms and conditions of the Agreement and other documents provided by ULC, ULC reserves the right to have free, unannounced and immediate access to such facilities during normal business hours – or when the supplier's facilities are in operation – to examine all records of the label printer relating to the printing, manufacture, delivery, shipment or distribution of ULC Marks. A copy of the signed and executed agreement shall be kept by the supplier and be made available upon demand during the periodic examination visit from the UL Field Representative.

The Certification Mark

Upon successful completion of a ULC investigation of a product design, ULC will authorize the manufacturer to apply the Mark on products as the manufacturer's declaration that the product was manufactured in accordance with the requirements of ULC. This authorization applies only to those products that comply with the ULC requirements and only at manufacturing facilities authorized by ULC. Production is audited by ULC field representatives to confirm that products bearing the Mark continue to meet ULC requirements.

The presence of the Mark on the product is the only means provided to identify products

manufactured under a ULC Follow-Up Service Program. The different styles of the Mark can be associated with the types of investigations performed on products and the type of Follow-Up Service Program performed at the manufacturing facilities. Prior to reproduction, the final layout of the Mark must first be provided to ULC for review and acceptance. Only if the layout is acceptable to ULC will the Mark be authorized for reproduction.

Following are examples of the Mark. [Downloadable versions of the Mark](#) can be obtained at our web site.

Types of Follow-Up Service

There are two types of Follow-Up Service: Type L and Type R. For each type of service, there is a different method of authorization by ULC to reproduce the Mark. ULC will make the decision regarding the appropriate service and type of Mark to be used based upon the nature of the product, the history of product performance, and the method for producing the product.

For Type R service Marks, suppliers will receive authorization from the manufacturer in the form of a UL-stamped drawing. For Type L labels, an authorization order will come directly from ULC. Suppliers should not reproduce Marks unless specific authorization is received as identified below. Suppliers should not reproduce Marks unless specific authorization is received as identified below. Suppliers shall retain records pertaining to orders of UL Marks for a minimum of two years. These records shall be accessible by the UL representative during the periodic examination visit.

Type R Marks

Manufacturers are required to submit a layout of the proposed Mark to ULC for review and authorization. If the design layout is found acceptable, ULC will authorize the drawing by applying the authorization stamp. The stamped drawing will be signed and dated by a representative of ULC and then returned to the manufacturer. The manufacturer may then reproduce the Mark in the factory or present the stamped drawing to an authorized supplier for reproduction. Once the supplier receives a copy of the stamped drawing the supplier may reproduce the Mark in quantities specified by the manufacturer and ship them directly to the manufacturer. Future orders for Type R Marks may be printed by the authorized supplier and shipped directly to the manufacturer as long as they are reproduced to the specifications of the original stamped ULC design layout.

The label stock material used for Marks produced under Type R service should be a permanent type, such that the label cannot be removed intact and reapplied.

The Type R Mark normally consists of the following four elements:

- Appropriate ULC symbol
- Word LISTED
- Product name
- A four character alpha-numeric Control Number assigned by ULC

In addition to the above, the manufacturer may include other information along with the Type R Mark including company name, electrical ratings, warning markings, date codes, place of manufacture, etc. **There may also be other requirements outlined in the marking section of the procedure that must also be on the label, the manufacturer is responsible to ensure their label meets these requirements as well.** However, none of this other information should interfere with the required elements of the Mark as authorized by ULC on the stamped drawing.

Type L Marks

Each order of Type L Marks requires specific written authorization from ULC. This authorization is issued by the ULC Label Center and sent directly to the supplier with copies of the authorization sent to the manufacturer who placed the order for the marks.

The print authorization will specify the name of the supplier, the Serial or Issue numbers that are to appear on the Marks, the type of ULC symbol, the appropriate wording, and the specific quantity of Marks that are to be produced. The Marks may only be produced as authorized and only in the quantities specified by ULC on the order authorization. ULC may also specify the label material, packaging and shipping instructions. In addition, the supplier must comply with the general "Terms and Conditions" that appear as part of each ULC authorization to reproduce Type L Marks.

The Type L Mark normally consists of the following elements:

- Appropriate ULC symbol
- Word LISTED
- Product name
- The words "ISSUE NO." or "SERIAL NO." followed by the numbers appearing on the authorization order from ULC
- Company name or ULC File Number

In addition to the above, the manufacturer may include other information along with the Type L Mark including electrical ratings, warning markings, date codes, place of manufacture, etc. However, none of this other information should interfere with the required elements of the Mark as explained on the authorization order.

Type L Marks will be shipped as directed on the authorization order. As an added level of control, the ULC field representative assigned to the manufacturer's facility will review the Marks and quantity of Marks received by the manufacturer.