



# Update of QUALIDECO Specifications – Appendix to the QUALICOAT Specifications 2020 QDC-SPEC-US04 applicable from 1 January 2021

**Subject:** Inspection for renewing a decorator's licence  
for sublimation technology

## **Resolution No. 2/QDCC 28.04.20**

The QDC Committee unanimously agreed that all QDC inspections should be carried out by the end of June. An update sheet should be prepared.

## **Resolution No. 7/QDCC 28.04.20**

Those present approved the following procedure (licence renewal):

If a licenced decorator is only able to produce one decoration during an inspection, the inspector shall identify a second decoration from the list of self-tested decorations to be sent within 10 days to the laboratory responsible for testing.

## **Resolution No. 8/2QDC 28.04.20**

Those present agreed that an update sheet should be drafted to take into account the QDCC meeting's considerations regarding the use of class 2 by decorators.

**QUALICOAT/QUALIDECO  
Resolutions:**

**Amendments to the  
Specifications:**

Amended § 4.3.1 and Appendix V-2

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## 4.3 Renewing a decorator's licence for sublimation technology

The renewal of a QUALIDECO licence is based on the inspection results and the results of the tests carried out on decorations selected by the inspectors.

### 4.3.1 Inspection

After a plant has been granted a QUALIDECO licence, it shall be inspected once a year **before the end of June** (~~preferably in the first half of the year~~) in accordance with [§ 4.2.1](#).

#### **Class 1**

During the inspection, the inspector shall check production and select samples of two decorations from the suppliers' lists of self-tested decorations **or from the decorator's list of approved decorations** in sufficient number and size to carry out the laboratory tests.

The inspectors shall use the self-tested decoration lists during their visits and check whether any decoration used by a decorator is not included in the lists.

- If the inspector finds a decoration that is neither in the list of approved decorations nor in a list of self-tested decorations, he shall ask the decorator to contact his supplier. If the supplier confirms that the decoration has already been tested, the list of self-tested decorations shall be updated by the supplier within two weeks.
- If no evidence of such self-testing (dated report and test panels) can be provided to the inspector by this deadline, the inspection of the decorator's plant shall be considered unsatisfactory.

**If a decorator is only able to produce one decoration during an inspection, the inspector shall identify a second decoration from the list of self-tested decorations to be sent within 10 working days to the laboratory responsible for testing.**

#### **Class 2**

During the inspection, the inspector shall check production and select samples of two decorations from the decorator's list of QUALIDECO approved decorations in sufficient number and size to carry out the laboratory tests and the Florida test.

**If a decorator produces class 2 decorations but is not able to produce class 2 decorations on the day of the inspection, the two class 2 decorations selected by the inspector shall be provided to the testing laboratory within 10 working days.**

#### **Both classes**

**If the decorator's in-house control shows that both classes of decorations are produced, two decorations of each class shall be tested, even if the plant is producing only class 2 or only class 1 decorations on the day of the inspection.**

Marketing materials shall also be examined to check that the QUALIDECO licence is used for approved decorations only.

## APPENDIX V-2 – Overview of sampling and tests

SUBLIMATION						
	DECORATOR (LICENCE) <a href="#">Chapter 4</a>		FILM SUPPLIER (LICENCE) <a href="#">Chapter 3, § 3.1.</a>		POWDER SUPPLIER (LICENCE) <a href="#">Chapter 3, § 3.2.</a>	
	CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 1	CLASS 2 S
SAMPLING (RENEWALS)	<p>Samples of two decorations taken from production and selected by the inspector from the suppliers' lists of self-tested decorations or from the decorator's list of approved decorations.</p> <p><a href="#">§ 4.3.1</a></p>	<p>Samples of two decorations selected from the list of QUALIDECO approved decorations (just one if only one class 2 decoration is approved).</p> <p><a href="#">§ 4.3.1</a></p>	<p>Two different decorations selected by the QUALIDECO laboratories from the list of self-tested decorations to check every decoration system approved.</p> <p><a href="#">§ 3.1.4</a></p>	<p>Two decorations selected from the list of the film supplier's approved class 2 decorations (just one if only one class 2 decoration is approved).</p> <p><a href="#">§ 3.1.5</a></p>	<p>Two different decorations selected by the QUALIDECO laboratories from the list of self-tested decorations to check every decoration system approved.</p> <p><a href="#">§ 3.2.4</a></p>	<p>Two decorations selected from the list of the powder supplier's approved class 2 decorations (just one if only one class 2 decoration is approved).</p> <p><a href="#">§ 3.2.5</a></p>
GLOSS EN ISO 2813	<a href="#">§ 2.1.</a>	<a href="#">§ 2.1.</a>	<a href="#">§ 2.1.</a>	<a href="#">§ 2.1.</a>	<a href="#">§ 2.1.</a>	<a href="#">§ 2.1.</a>