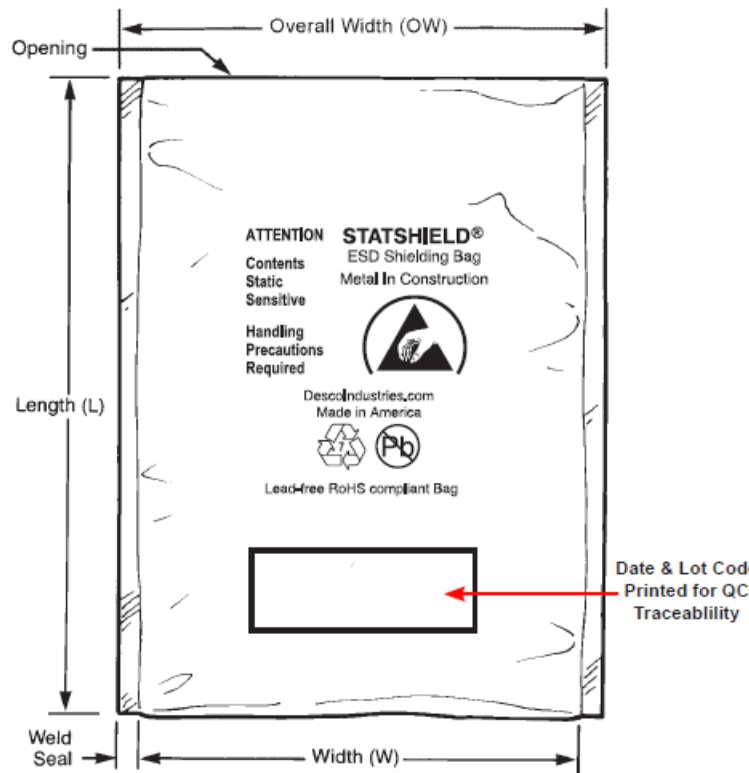


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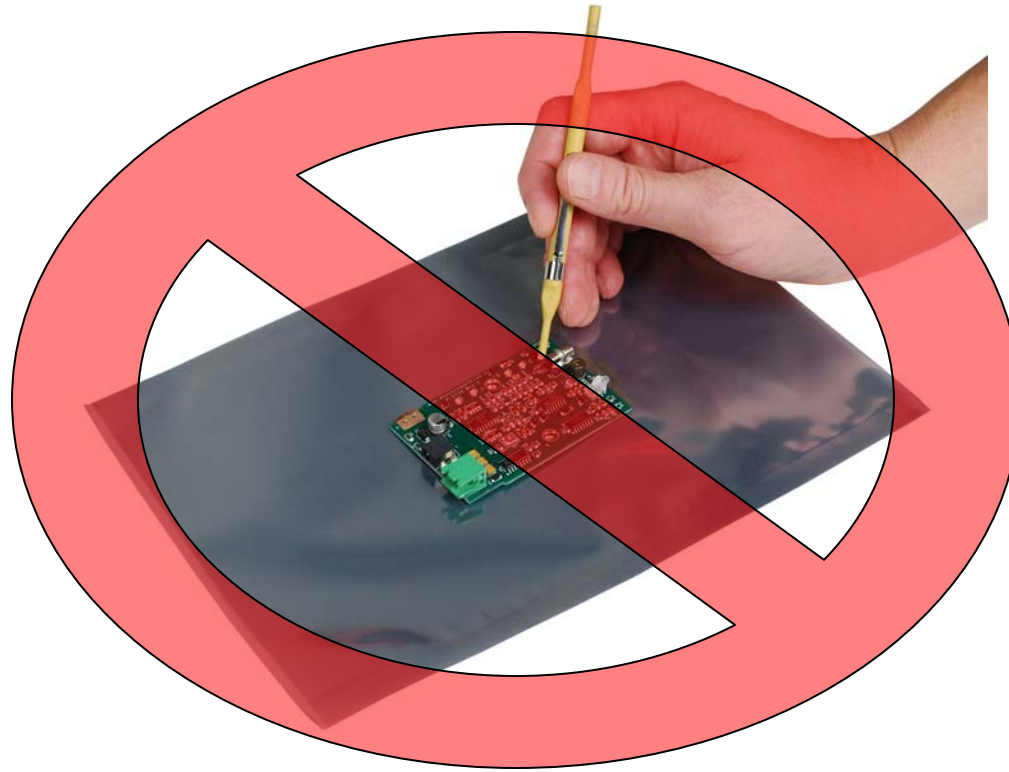
5 Tips for Using Shielding Bags



A basic principle of ESD control in an manufacturing environment is that ESD susceptible items should only be removed from ESD Protective packaging when they are in an ESD protected area (EPA). Most EPAs are made up of "Islands" of control, the packaging / materials handling system must provide proper protection for ESD susceptible items during transport and storage outside those "islands" of control. When moving ESD susceptible items outside an EPA, it is necessary for the product to be packaged in closed ESD Shielding Packaging.



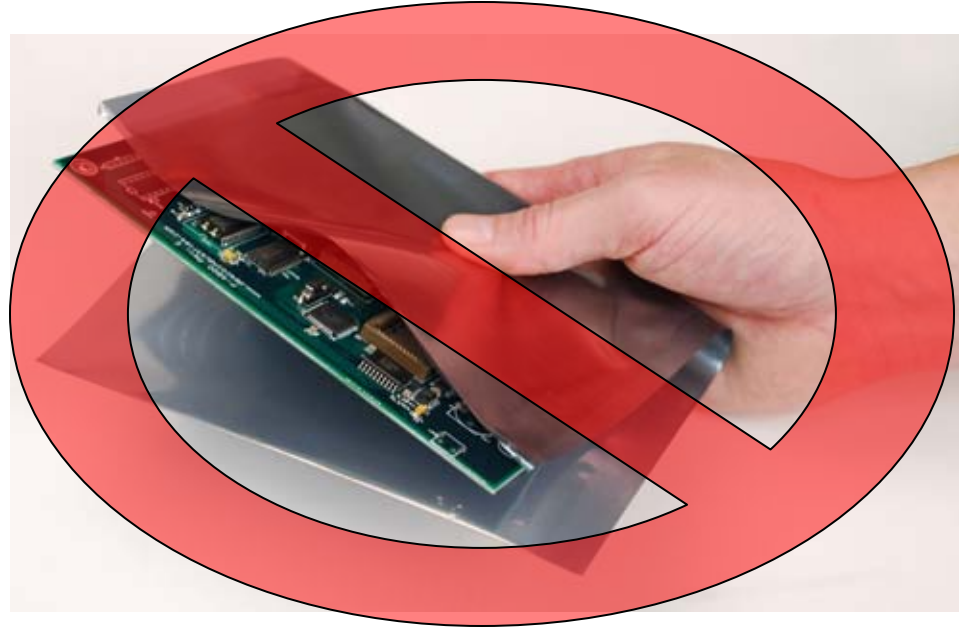
TIP# 1 – NOT A WORKSURFACE



Do not use a shielding bag as an ESD worksurface. Although a shielding is safe to use around a ESD susceptible products is not intended to be a worksurface for product and should set aside or discarded after removing the product from the bag.



TIP# 2 – NO POTHOLDERS OR TACOS



Do not use a shielding bag as an “ESD potholder” or “ESD taco.”

This type of use offers no ESD protection to the product.



TIP# 3 - ENCLOSE PRODUCT

WRONG



CORRECT



Shielding bags should be large enough to enclose the entire product and closed with a label or zipper style bag.

To Determine the Correct Size Bag for your Application, click [HERE](#).

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TIP# 4 – REMOVE CHARGES



Place closed bag on an ESD worksurface before removing product to remove any charge that might have accumulated on the surface of the bag.



TIP# 5 – DON'T OVER-USE



Re-using shielding bags is acceptable so long as there is no damage to the shielding layer. Bags with holes, tears, or excessive wrinkles should be discarded.



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