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A systems approach to carton sealing

Carton facts:

- More than 80% of boxes are reclaimed
- Average recycled fiber content found is 43%

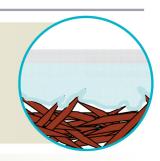
Tape facts:

- IPS offers a full line of carton sealing choices, including Pressure Sensitive Acrylic, Hot Melt, and Natural Rubber, as well as Water-Activated carton sealing tape
- IPS offers a broad range of closure strengths, from utility to premium, providing several combinations of adhesive mass and backing mass

Choosing the closure type and strength that is appropriate for the application is dependent upon fill, weight and size of the box, environmental conditions during application, and the amount and type of recycled fiber in the outer layer of corrugate.

Changes in the fiber & overall construction composition of your cartons may impact the ability of your tape to adhere to your carton. Let's explain:

The microscopic surface of a virgin fiber corrugated carton contains a large amount of uneven surface area that is formed by lengthy strong fibers. Because of this, the adhesive of the tape can easily "grab" onto the surface and form a strong bond. When fiber is recycled, the fibers become shorter and weaker. To compensate for this, additional starchy sizing material is added to the corrugated. This additional material helps make the container strong, but also changes the surface of the corrugated.





The microscopic surface of a container with a high recycled content can look much different. Shorter fibers are more tightly compressed and additional sizing materials can create a much smoother surface.



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IPS Packaging Has The Solution!

System/Site Evaluation: "4ME" Analysis











IPS has a large range of carton sealing solutions for every application!

Pressure Sensitive Carton Sealing Tape









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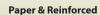


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Water-Activated Carton Sealing Tape













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for assistance or choosing the right combination of tapes and machines for your needs

