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Specifications for “SP” style Barcodes: Spee-Dee Preferences

Our systems read two main forms of barcodes: Code 128 (Standard Only) and the 3 of 9 code (Code 39). These codes are alpha-numeric and can handle the range of ASCII characters necessary to conform to these specifications.

The Specific order of characters is this:

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The first two digits correspond to the Spee-Dee specific barcode identifier or “SP”. This is followed by a six digit shipper number, followed by a two digit service type code, followed by recommended eight digit package ID. The package ID may comprise of up to twenty two (22) digits max. For shipper number 6-981, service type 03, package ID number 12345678. The barcode should read:

SP0069810312345678

Barcodes with a package ID less than twenty two digits but greater than eight digits are permissible under these general standards. The software simply reads the shipper number and service type and includes all digits following, if any, as the package ID.

Example of the human readable.

SP 006981 03 12345678
