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Interpretation of Traceability Lot Codes

General Mills labels products with lot codes (also called Best if Used By codes) containing day, month, year, and packaging plant.

The examples below show the format with required and optional elements.

Traceability Lot Code = 13 DEC 2019 HNCR205714

- **13** = Day
- **DEC*** = Month
- **2019[†]** = Year
- **HN** = Packing Plant
- **CR** = Producing Plant (*optional*)
- **2057** = Military Time (*optional placement at end of coding sequence*)
- **14** = Line Number (2 digit numeric) (*optional*)

* Month abbreviations are as follows: JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC

[†] For ASN (Advanced Shipment Notice), year is the last digit of the year only (e.g., 13DEC9HN)

Plant Codes

Plant code interpretation can be found below. If production and packing are done at the same location, either 2 letters or 4 letters can be used (i.e. CR or CRCR for Cedar Rapids.)

FSMA Section 204 Traceability Lot Code Source Reference

Traceability Lot Code Plant Code	Street	City	State	Postal Code	Country
HN	1 Red Devil Rd	Hannibal	MO	63401-6312	US
MG	4625 S 6th St	Milwaukee	WI	53221-2410	US
AL	3501 Paseo Del Norte	Albuquerque	NM	87113-1511	US
BV	915 E Pleasant St	Belvidere	IL	61008-3350	US
CM	8000 Audubon Rd	Chanhassen	MN	55317-9376	US

If a Traceability Lot Plant Code is not listed above, please contact Regulatory.Contact@genmills.com for assistance.