

GS1 – UDI Terms Explained

What is Unit of Use?

A **Unit of Use (UoU) DI code** is a separate identifier/barcode for products that are inside/contained in a package that has a barcode, but do not carry a barcode of their own e.g. a single disposable glove in a dispenser box of gloves. A UoU is:

- 1) Just another assigned **13-digit barcode number** from your company's block of assignable/free barcode numbers (i.e. just assign an available GS1 barcode number to it)
- 2) Requested for submission into GUDID when submitting products that contain **multiple items** within them e.g. gloves, face masks, condoms, etc.
- 3) Usually used by hospitals to **track individual items** that **do not normally have** or **are able to have** barcodes
- 4) **Should not be added to any product or trade item label** (i.e. do not try to label your products with it)

GS1 highly recommends that you keep track of all assigned UoU for reference purposes.

Thank You.