



## **Label Material Comparison Guide**

When choosing a label material, it's important to consider the type of surface the labels will be applied to, environmental factors, and any long-term durability requirements. Emedco offers both vinyl and polyester labels to fit your applications.\* Use the guide below when deciding which material is right for your labels.

## VINYL

- Adheres to curved surfaces.
- Can be used for indoor/outdoor applications but is not 100% chemical resistant.
- Common applications include: hard hats, poles, tubes, wires, and cables.
- Features up to five-year outdoor weather resistance.
- Stocked items can ship out same-day. Custom orders may take 7-10 days.

## POLYESTER

- Adheres to flat surfaces.
- Ideal for indoor/outdoor applications and especially resistant to chemical compounds.
- Common applications include: machinery, shelving, racks, windows, doors, and other smooth surfaces.
- Features high-strength tear resistance, dimensional stability, and temperature resistance.
- Stocked products can ship out same-day. Others ship within 48 hours (2 business days).

\*Material data sheet available upon request



| CHARACTERISTICS            | VINYL                            | POLYESTER                         |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Thickness                  | 3.4 mil                          | 2 mil                             |
| Tensile Strength           | 13 MD 12 CD                      | 40 MD 60 CD                       |
| Service Temperature Ranges | -40°F to +200°F (-40° C to 93°C) | -40°F to +302°F (-40°C to +150°C) |
| Minimum Application Range  | +50°F (10°C)                     | +50°F (10°C)                      |
| Material Elasticity        | Flexible                         | Rigid                             |
| Tear Resistance            | Good                             | Better                            |
| Chemical Resistance        | Good                             | Better                            |

Learn more about our material options by contacting our safety experts at **800-442-3633** or visit **www.emedco.com/labels** to find the right labels for your specific applications.