Symbols Commonly Used in Medical Device Packaging and Labeling Smith & Nephew, Inc.

SN	Symbol for "Serial Number." This symbol shall be followed by, or above, the manufacturer's serial number.
LOT	Symbol for "Batch Code." This symbol shall be adjacent to the manufacturer's batch code. The batch code may also be referred to as the lot number or batch number.
	Symbol for "Manufacturer." This symbol shall be adjacent to the name and address of the manufacturer.
	Symbol indicating the "date of manufacture." The symbol shall be adjacent to the date that the product was manufactured, expressed as four digits for the year and two digits for the month and where appropriate, two digits for the day.
R only	Symbol that may be used in place of the statement "CAUTION: U.S. Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician."
\leq	Symbol for "Use By." This symbol shall be adjacent to the expiration date, as given in EN 28601, expressed as four digits for the year and two digits for the month and where appropriate, two digits for the day. This symbol is intended to indicate that the device should not be used after the end of the month shown, or the day, if applicable.
STERILE A	Symbol for sterile medical devices processed using aseptic techniques.

STERILE EO	Symbol for method of sterilization using ethylene oxide.
STERILE R	Symbol for method of sterilization using irradiation.
STERILE H ₂ O ₂	Symbol for the method of sterilization using vaporized hydrogen peroxide.
STERILE	Symbol for method of sterilization using steam or dry heat.
NON-STERILE	Symbol indicating that the device has not been sterilized.
2	Symbol for "do not re-use," "single use," or "use only once."
\triangle	Symbol for "Caution, consult accompanying documents" or "Attention, see instructions for use."
Ĩ	Symbol for "Consult instructions for use" or "Consult operating instructions."

EC REP	Symbol for "Authorized Representative in the European Community." This symbol shall be adjacent to the name and address of the authorized representative in the European Community. The address is not required on an immediate container unless the immediate container is the outer container.
X	Symbol for "temperature limitation." The upper and lower temperature limits will be indicated on either side of the symbol.
CE	This symbol is a mandatory marking for devices entering the European market to indicate conformity with the essential health and safety requirements set out in European Directives. The symbol may be accompanied by a four-digit identification number of the notified body. The vertical dimensions may not be less than 5 mm high.
(((•)))	Symbol for "non-ionizing radiation." All equipment and systems that include RF transmitters or that intentionally apply RF electromagnetic energy for diagnosis or treatment must be labeled with this symbol.
Ŕ	Symbol for "Shock protection type (B, BF, CF)."
	Symbol indicating "Not for general waste." For European Union (EU) States, this symbol should be used to mark devices that are reusable and not contaminated at the end of the device life.
×	Symbol indicating to "Keep away from sunlight."
Ť	Symbol used to indicate that the product should be kept dry.

Ţ	Symbol indicating that the device is "fragile" and should be handled with care.
ES -	Symbol indicating that the product packaging is able to be recycled.

Note: Symbols were derived from "ISO 15223 Medical Devices - Symbols to be Used with Medical Device Labels, Labelling and Information to be Supplied," "Council Directive 93/42/EEC of 14 June 1993 Concerning Medical Devices," "Council Directive 90/385/EEC of 20 June 1990 on Active Implantable Medical Devices," and " Council Directive 98/79/EC of 27 October 1998 on In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices."