

IMPORTANT GS1 DEFINITIONS

- 1 - GTIN (Global Trade Item Number) – Global unique barcode identification number for the products.
- 2 - GLN (Global Location Number) – Global unique location number for identifying the companies/parties involved in trade.

GTIN Allocation Guidelines

Manufacturing Company

- If you are a manufacturing company, you will apply for GTIN registration for your products.
- Please check from GS1 organization that are you already a member of GS1 and use GS1 GTINs and GS1 data carriers (bar codes) on your products. The most common type of GS1 GTIN used in Saudi Arabia is A GTIN-13 carried in EAN-13 data carrier. Please send us your membership ID to check your latest membership status.
- An EAN-13 data carrier contains the GTIN-13.

Distribution Agents (for Local and International manufacturers)

- If you are a distribution agent for local/international manufacturers, please inform all your partner companies about the above process.
- You will provide GS1 Saudi Arabia copies of the contract letters and related govt. approved and licensing documents in order to show that you are an authorized agent of a particular company (local/ international).
- In the event, your partners are unable to provide the GTINs for the products, you may request GS1 Saudi Arabia provide license to enable you to allocate the GTINs. You will need to provide a list of all affected products.

GLN Allocation Guidelines

- GS1 organization assigns GLN to all parties involved in trade i.e. manufacturer office, manufacturing site, packaging site, scientific office, distribution company, warehouse, pharmacy, hospital, logistics company, transport company etc.
- GLNs are used in track and trace system to enable traceability for all parties involved in supply chain.
- You will need to register your company with GS1 to receive GLN .
- You will need to provide the complete documentation and location information to receive GLNs.
- Please request GLN requirements document separately.