

## **General Guidelines For Paper Cups and Containers**

### **Usage of IP Paper Cups/Containers**

International Paper's disposable packaging is intended for single use. Single use cups and containers are designed to contain the fill product for the time it takes to consume the beverage or food under normal conditions. These are general packaging guidelines used in a very wide range of situations.

### **Temperature & Microwave Requirements for IP Paper Cups/Containers**

International Paper cups, containers, and lids are designed for single-use applications. International Paper hot cups and food containers as well as their respective hot application lids are designed to contain hot beverages and food products that do not exceed temperatures of 190° F. They are not designed for reheating or to be reused. They are not intended for use as microwave-cooking containers. The product in the cup combined with oven time and temperature, when micro-waved, can in some cases create temperatures that exceed the safe-use range of a paper cup.

Since customers have different needs for the use of IP paper cups/containers, we recommend our cups/food containers be tested by the customer to ensure that our products will be appropriate for their specific use in their operations.

### **Shelf Life of IP Paper Cups/Containers**

International Paper recommends a one year shelf life on IP produced paper cups/food containers. Storage and transportation conditions may vary, and can extend or shorten the recommended shelf life. Furthermore the first in, first out (FIFO) method for managing inventory should be followed.

**Standard Recommended Storage Conditions:**  $\geq -20^{\circ}\text{F}$ ;  $\leq 140^{\circ}\text{F}$  with relative humidity  $\leq 50\%$

Please contact your IP sales account manager with questions.