

TECH TIPS

DATE CODING METHODS

Identify The Production Date Of A Filter.

Each Baldwin filter includes a code to identify the production date of that particular product. Production dates are used for a variety of reasons. A few of those are...

- By Baldwin as an in-house tool to keep our stock rotated properly (ie, first in, first out).
- By our customers to keep their stock rotated properly.
- By our customers to determine if slow-moving product may be eligible for return.
- By Baldwin and our customers to properly identify production dates of product in the field.

Baldwin currently uses two date coding methods on our products and packaging. One is a 6-digit numeric and the other is an 11-digit numeric. Following are explanations of each:

Six (6) Digit Numeric Date Code

Date Code Sample: 050117

1st Two Digits	05	Indicate Month (May)
2nd Two Digits	01	Indicate Day of Month (1st)
Last Two Digits	17	Indicate Year (2012)

Eleven (11) Digit Numeric Date Code

Date Code Sample: 05011715301

1st Two Digits	05	Indicate Month (May)
2nd Two Digits	01	Indicate Day of Month (1st)
5th and 6th Digits	17	Indicate Year (2017)
Next 4 Digits	1530	Indicate Time of Day (Military Format)
Last Digit	1	Indicate Filter Line