### BARCODE or RFID:

Which one is right for you?

## WHAT ARE THEY?

Barcodes are an optical, machine-readable code applied to products, used for quick identification and tracking.

Radio-frequency identification (RFID) is a way to read and capture info stored on a tag attached to an object.

**HOW DO THEY WORK?** 



representation of data that is scanned and interpreted with a sensor and light.



magnetic fields to automatically

identify and track tags via radio waves.

**DID YOU KNOW:** 

of 10 errors.

For every 1,000

keystrokes made

by a human,

there's an average

For every 10,000

barcode scans,

there's only an

average of one

error.

On average, firms that use RFID see

their inventory

accuracy go from

63% to 95%.

12,000+ items per hour.

Using RFID, you

can increase

count rates

from 200 to

**RFID** can store large data amounts. You can

add shipping histories, expiry dates, etc.

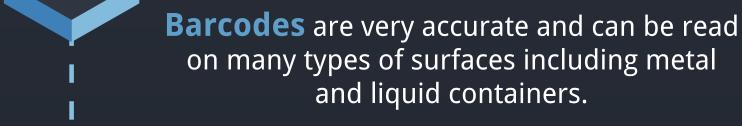
You can store **RFID** tags internally, safe

from damage and counterfeiting.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?



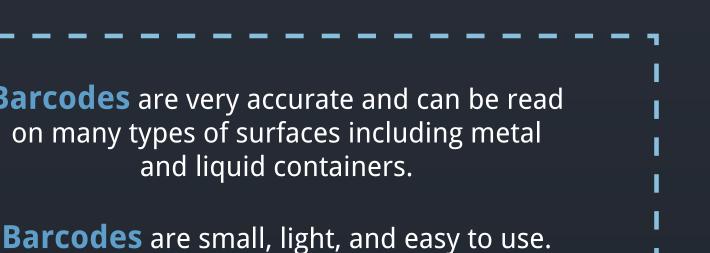
Active **RFID** tags can track real-time movement of your items.



WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Cost-effective, **barcodes** are inexpensive to

design and print.





**RANGE & VISION** 

a few cents

• Inexpensive solution

Typical label costs

**COST** 

• Directly on the barcode (up to 15 ft)

• Only scans one item

at a time

**USAGE** 

Not automated,

needs employee

Typically not used

more than once



### **RANGE & VISION**

More expensive

An RFID tag can

cost over \$30

**COST** 

in range at once

Near the RFID tag

Can scan all items

(up to 300 ft)

Automated, little

• Can be used more

than once

human interference

**USAGE** 

# **ARE YOU LOOKING TO:**



smartphone cameras? Have an inexpensive and uncomplicated

Do medium to light

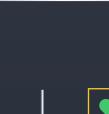
scanning with regular



implementation? Scan items from a specific shipment or

in a certain location?

**Sounds like barcodes** are the right fit for you!



Scan several tags in the same room or area at once or in batches?



scanning solution? Endure harsh weather

and work conditions?

Invest in a robust,

automated, heavy

Then **RFID** may be a

better choice for you!

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