



Detectamet asks "Have You Got to Grips with Staple Free?"

The declaration of a 'staple free zone' for food processing areas is simple common sense, and based on good manufacturing practice. It is included in the GMP requirements in Food Product Contracts.

To achieve it may seem 'easier said than done'. Information is still needed within the processing area and documents are required to inform and record the processes being carried out.

The Stapleless Stapler is one of a number safe paper management solutions from Detectamet. This simple punch is made from detectable plastic and works on up to four pages of paper by cutting, folding and inserting a tongue of paper through all four sheets to stitch them together. There is no cut away paper to contaminate.

"We have been campaigning to eliminate metal staples from the food industry for the past two years" says Sean Smith CEO at Detectamet "Personal experience of finding a used staple in a sandwich can drive a consumer into the arms of the food safety enforcers. In my case I wanted to encourage the food industry to use metal free stapling"

The Stapleless stapler offers even more benefits than just detectability and eliminating the risk of staples in food. You don't need to risk staples in the fingers when you want to part the papers. You never need to hunt for a reload of staples of the right size because you just won't need them. In a staple free food processing area you don't have to 'live with' lose papers anymore.

It is said that if everyone in UK offices saved one staple a day then 72 tonnes of metal would be saved a year and the environmental benefits could be further improved by reducing the failure of paper shredders damaged by staplers.

Switch 2 Stitch is Detectamet's slogan to remind food companies that they can take on this simple and sensible way to achieve a staple free food zone. The latest design of Stapleless Stapler is now available and can be supplied with names, numbers or logos inscribed by Detectamet's Laser Engraving system.

