

2026	Packaging World Content Calendar					
Magazine						
• Bonus Distribution						
January/February AOR 2026 + Artificial Intelligenece in Packaging From Equipment to Design (coverage of Rockwell Automation Fair AI Survey _ MES Systems That Improve OEE Closing: January 9 Materials: January 15 Delivers: February 23	March/April Paperization With Barrier Coatings and Barrier Additives Closing: March 5 Materials: March 12 Delivers: April 20	May/June Accessible, Universal, or Holistic Packaging + SPC Coverage Closing: April 30 Materials: May 7 Delivers: June 15	July/August Interpack Coverage Labeling for a ‘Phygital’ world: 2D barcodes Digital Product Passport, RFID, NFC, and GR Closing: June 18 Materials: June 25 Delivers: August 3	<i>PEI Show Issue</i> September* Designing for Recyclability (PRS Coverage) Robotics Report Closing: August 6 Materials: August 13 Delivers: September 21	October E-comm/D2C Case Size Optimization Package Design, and Right-Sizing Packaging Closing: September 3 Materials: September 10 Delivers: October 19	Annual Resource Guide Leaders Sustainability in coding & marking equipment Closing: October 5 Materials: October 13 Delivers: December 7
Events and Event Issues						
PACK EXPO East February 17-19 Philadelphia Showcase Issue* Closing: December 15, 2025 Materials: December 22, 2025 Delivers: January 30	EXPO PACK Mexico June 2-5 Mexico City, MX Show Issue* Closing: April 1 Materials: April 8 Delivers: May 11	Packaging Recycling Summit June 15-17 TBD Sponsorship Deadline April 30	PACK EXPO International October 18-21 Chicago, IL Showcase Issue* Closing: August 21 Materials: August 26 Delivers: October 2	Sustainability Central October 18-21 Chicago, IL Sponsorship Deadline August 20		
Contract Manufacturing & Packaging						
March/April Closing: January 30 Materials: February 6 Delivers: April 20			July/August* Closing: May 29 Materials: June 5 Delivers: August 3			