

# CBS Corporate Safety and Environmental Affairs

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## Container Labeling – A Myriad of Rules

When it comes to container labeling, you need to know which regulations apply. When you are working with a chemical in a container, then OSHA's rules apply. If the container holds a waste that you are accumulating, then EPA rules apply. And when you are ready to ship a container to someone, or ship a waste offsite, then DOT rules take over.

### OSHA Hazard Communication Labeling

For OSHA's Hazard Communication standard, container labels must display the following 6 elements:

1. **Product identifier/ingredient disclosure:** This includes the identity (product name, chemical name, CAS number, or UN number).
2. **Pictograms:** This is a black symbol on a white background surrounded by a red, diamond-shaped border that shows whether the chemical has physical, health, or environmental hazards. (For in-house labeling, this border can be black.)
3. **Signal word:** This is used to show the relative hazards of the chemical. The words can be "Danger" or "Warning."
4. **Hazard statement(s):** These are statements assigned by the chemical's hazard class and category that describe the nature and degree of the hazard(s).
5. **Precautionary statement(s):** These are statements assigned by the chemical's hazard class and category that recommend measures that should be taken to prevent adverse effects from exposure, storage, or handling of the product.
6. **Supplier information:** This is the name, address, and telephone number of the chemical manufacturer, importer, or supplier.

### EPA Container Waste Labeling

Hazardous waste containers beginning with accumulation must be labeled with the words "Hazardous Waste" and the date the waste began accumulating (from the first drop of waste). The container must also be labeled with an indication of the hazards of the waste in the container: ignitability, corrosivity, reactivity, and/or toxicity.

### DOT Shipping Labeling

How you label a container for shipping depends upon what you are shipping and how much of it you are shipping. DOT requires hazardous materials to be shipped according to specific detailed requirements. For example, each container of hazardous waste that is 119 gallons or less must be marked with:

HAZARDOUS WASTE  
FEDERAL LAW PROHIBITS IMPROPER DISPOSAL.  
IF FOUND, CONTACT THE NEAREST POLICE OR PUBLIC SAFETY  
AUTHORITY, OR THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.

RECEIVED FROM: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
HAZARDOUS CHARACTERISTICS: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERATOR'S EPA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

SHIPPER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
SHIPPER'S PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
DOT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

HAZARDOUS WASTE - HANDLE WITH CARE

## EHS Updates

This year's EHS Council Meeting, is scheduled for October 17-19 in the 7<sup>th</sup> floor screening room at Blackrock.

At last year's meeting, we introduced a number of initiatives including:

InspectnTrack recently rolled out at KYW;

Training initiatives: Expect to see the first of our in-house created programs this fall.

Sustainability: Virtually all of the 2016 electric bills for the 28 locations accounting for 95% of our electricity usage have been ingested into EnerNOC for our sustainability reporting.