

GUIDE FOR MARKINGS

USE OF GUIDE - This guide was prepared as an aid to shippers and carriers of hazardous materials. It does not contain or refer to all of the DOT requirements for marking. For specific details, refer to appropriate Sections of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Parts 100-199.

MARKING - means placing on the outside of a shipping container, one or more of the following: the descriptive name, proper shipping name, hazard class, identification number, instructions, caution and/or weight. Marking also includes any required specification marks on the inside or outside shipping container.

DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (49 CFR 172.300-172.304)

A. Unless Specifically Excepted, ALL containers of hazardous materials must be marked with:

- (1) The proper shipping name(s).
- (2) UN or NA Identification number(s) of the contents (49 CFR 172.101 or 172.102), Hazardous Materials Tables.
- (3) If the inhalation toxicity of any material in a package falls within the criteria specified in 49 CFR 173.3a(b)(2), the package shall be marked "Inhalation Hazard" in association with the required label(s).
- (4) The name and address of either the consignee or consignor.

B. All markings must be:

- (1). Durable and in English, printed on or affixed to the surface of the package or on a label, tag or sign.
- (2). On a background of a sharply contrasting color, and unobscured by labels or attachments.
- (3) Placed away from other markings that could reduce effectiveness.

