PESTICIDE SERVICE CONTAINER IDENTIFICATION

The Colorado Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Administration and Enforcement of the Pesticide Applicators’ Act (Title 35, Article 10) defines a “service container” as any container (other than the original) that contains a pesticide and can be carried by a single individual. It does not matter whether it has been diluted or not. Backpack and handheld sprayers are both examples of service containers.

What information is required?
Part 11 of the Rules requires that the service container prominently display:

- Common name of each active ingredient (if there is no common name then use the chemical name)
- EPA registration number
- Human hazard signal word (i.e., caution, warning or danger)
- Applicator’s name

All of this information, except the applicator’s name, is available on the front panel of the label on the pesticide’s original container.

The applicator’s name is a new requirement and went into effect in April 2004.

Should other information be included?
CEPEP recommends that other information, beyond the previous requirements be included, such as:

- Product trade name
- Dilution rate

Are there any other requirements?
In April 2004, Part 7 of the Rules was amended to require that a copy of the pesticide label(s) be in the possession of the applicator at the site of application. The Rules define "in the possession of" as being in the physical possession of the applicator or in a location at the application site, such as a vehicle, that is readily accessible to the applicator.
References and Resources

_Pesticide Applicators’ Act._ Title 35, Article 10, Colorado Department of Agriculture, Division of Plant Industry, Lakewood, CO.

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