

HAZARDOUS WASTE LABELS: TYPES AND VENDORS

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A. Accumulation and Storage Requirements

To comply with Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), hazardous waste containers must be marked with specific information. Generally, hazardous waste containers must be labeled with the following information during accumulation and storage: [22 CCR §66262.34(f)]

- The words “HAZARDOUS WASTE”;
- The accumulation start date for the waste in the container;
- Composition (e.g. *used oil; acetone 40%, toluene 60%; etc.*) and physical state (i.e. *solid, liquid, etc.*) of the waste;
- Hazardous properties (i.e. *flammable, corrosive, reactive, toxic*) of the waste;
- Name and address of the facility generating the waste.

The easiest way to comply with these requirements is to complete one of the California hazardous waste labels distributed by label suppliers.

[Note: For a detailed guide regarding requirements for the marking of containers during accumulation and storage, refer to the “Marking Requirements and Guidelines for Hazardous Materials and Hazardous Wastes” available at www.unidocs.org.]

B. Types of Hazardous Waste Labels

The following table lists the most common types of labels available:

Label Type	Use	Typical Cost*	Comments
California Hazardous Waste Label.	Accumulation/shipment of hazardous waste.	\$15 - \$30 per pack of 25.	Standard label. Since California law requires specific wording, labels used must be the California version.
Modified California Hazardous Waste Label (for multiple accumulations).	Accumulation of hazardous waste.	\$25 - \$35 per pack of 25.	Similar to standard label, but has space for multiple accumulation start dates. Ideal for containers which are pumped out on-site by waste haulers.
“Drained Used Oil Filters” label.	Accumulation/shipment of drained used oil filters.	Free - \$20 per pack of 100.	Labels available from used oil filter recycling transporters. Use only for containers of used filters to be transported off-site to a smelter for recycling per 22 CCR §66266.130(c)(3). All other filter containers must be marked with a California Hazardous Waste Label.

* Most vendors sell labels in minimum quantities or by package.

C. Pre-Transport Requirements

If the hazardous waste container is to be shipped off site it must, prior to shipment, in addition to meeting accumulation and storage requirements:

1. Be packaged, labeled, and marked in accordance with all applicable United States Department of Transportation (DOT) requirements. [Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations]

2. Be marked with the following information: [22 CCR §66262.3]

- The words “HAZARDOUS WASTE - State and Federal Laws Prohibit Improper Disposal. If found, contact the nearest police or public safety authority, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency or the California Department of Health Services”;
- The Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest document number.

D. Suppliers of Hazardous Waste Labels

The following table lists several local label suppliers:

Vendor	Label Styles Sold	Services
Bay Area Labels 1980 Lundy Ave. San Jose, CA 95131 (408) 432-1980 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	California Hazardous Waste Label <i>(with bar code and clear laminate cover features)</i> 5”x 6-1/2” vinyl: Stock # HWJV-2	Mail order.
California Safety & Supply 306 Mathew St. Santa Clara, CA 95050 (408) 727-8530 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	California Hazardous Waste Label 6”x 6” vinyl: Stock # NA0378	Mail order.
HCL Labels, Inc. 510 E. Maude Ave. Sunnyvale, CA 94086 (408) 738-4161 1-800-421-6701	California Hazardous Waste Label 6”x 6” vinyl: Stock # HZW-2 Modified California Hazardous Waste Label 6”x 11” vinyl: Stock # HZW-2APR	Walk-in and mail order.
Lab Safety Supply Inc. P.O. Box 1368 Janesville WI 53547 1-800-356-0783, 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. ,CT Fax: 1-800-723-4327	California Hazardous Waste Label Vinyl: Package Stock # YW-20648V Drained Used Oil Filter Label 6"x 6" paper: Stock # SF-26501P	Mail Order.
Labelmaster 5724 N. Pulaski Rd. Chicago Ill. 60646-6797 1-800-621-5808, 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., CT Fax: 1-800-723-4327	California Hazardous Waste Label 6”x 6” vinyl: Part # WMCA6	Mail Order.

[Note: The above is only a partial list of label suppliers. Unidocs neither endorses nor recommends any particular vendor.]