

HDPE Color~~ed~~ Bottles & Select Containers

Description: Any ~~whole, blow-molded~~, high density polyethylene (HDPE) blow-molded bottle or blow-molded jar/canister, containing the ASTM D7611 “#2, HDPE” resin identification code, as well as PE squeeze tube and HDPE rigid can and bottle carriers, all primarily that is pigmented and opaque, and ~~was~~ generated from a curbside, drop-off, or other public or private recycling collection program. Bottles are blow-molded and defined as containers that have a neck or mouth that is smaller than the base. HDPE jars/canisters are blow-molded with a mouth similar dimension to the base (e.g. coffee or cleaning wipes containers). PE squeeze tubes are compatible containers with a rigid shoulder/closure and squeezable body pinched off at the other end. HDPE rigid can and bottle carriers are made from bottle grade HDPE.

All bottles, jars/canisters and tubes should be free of contents or free flowing liquids, ~~and direction should be provided to consumers to empty and rinse containers~~. While including closures (caps, lids, and rings) on bottles is acceptable, removal of closures is also acceptable. Loose caps and closures should not be added to the bale.

Product: Polyethylene Bottles, jars/canisters, and tubes

Source: Post-consumer material collected primarily from residential sources, may also include some material that has met its intended use from commercial establishments.

CHECK WITH YOUR BUYER(S) as to their allowances for:

- ~~HDPE cooking oil bottles~~
- ~~HDPE motor oil or other automotive fluid bottles~~
- Non-bottle HDPE container/items using fractional melt HDPE resin:
 - ~~Blow molded HDPE jars or cannisters with a mouth similar to the base (e.g., coffee or cleaning wipes containers)~~
 - ~~PE Squeeze Tubes~~
 - ~~HDPE Thermoforms~~
 - ~~HDPE rigid ring carriers (e.g. beer can holder)~~

Contamination: Total contamination should not exceed 5% by weight.

ALLOWABLE CONTAMINANTS AT LOW LEVELS: *These contaminants are tolerable at low levels. The following contaminants should not exceed 2% by weight of any of the following “individual” contaminants, unless noted otherwise.*

- Injection molded HDPE (#2) containers (e.g. tubs, buckets)
- Any non-HDPE rigid plastic bottle, container or packaging, including PET (#1), LDPE (#4), PP (#5), PS (#6), Other (#7) and compostable plastic (e.g. PLA and PHA) (2% maximum of all combined)
- Loose paper or cardboard (OCC)
- Liquid residues

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- Aluminum cans

CONTAMINANTS NOT ALLOWED: *If present, these contaminants may result in rejection.*

- Any item with degradable additives
- Containers which held hazardous materials, such as flammable, corrosive or reactive products, pesticides or herbicides
- Any bulky rigid plastic
- Any plastic bags or film
- Any plastic foam
- Other metal, wood, glass
- Batteries
- Electronics scrap, including items with circuit boards or battery packs
- Bio-Medical non-bottle waste/items (e.g. syringes, sharps, gloves, masks)
- Rocks, stones, mud, oils, grease

General: Refer to the General Information section for additional information.