

DGAC New Requirements
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Beginning on October 1, 2007, hazardous materials shipping papers must include the number and type of packages being transported (e.g., 4 drums, 5 boxes, 3 cylinders), either before or after the proper shipping description sequence. See 49 CFR sec. 172.202(a)(6). This requirement is in addition to the existing requirement to list the total quantity of hazardous materials (by mass or volume). This requirement also applies to shipping papers covering the transportation of hazardous materials in tank trucks, which must include the words "1 cargo tank" on the shipping paper (even if there are different materials being hauled in separate compartments).

Also effective on October 1 is the new "OVERPACK" marking requirement, which must be used when specification packagings are required, unless the specification marking on the inside packages are visible. See 49 CFR sec. 173.25(a)(4).

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