

## What's in it for you?

At ClearTech, we take environmental responsibility seriously. Our returnable container program reduces single-use waste and supports sustainable practices. For you, this means lower costs—because you're not paying for disposable packaging with every order. Plus, there's no packaging to throw away or dispose of. Return your containers promptly to keep the cycle efficient and cost-effective.

## What you need to know.

Federal and Provincial regulations govern the handling of hazardous waste—including residues left in containers. If a returned IBC, drum, or carboy contains residue above the permissible limit, your organization may be classified as a hazardous waste generator and subject to additional handling fees under environmental legislation. Empty container of all residue.

To comply with the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act and Regulations, all empty containers must be securely sealed with original bungs, caps, and lids, and retain their original labels.

## Did you know?

ClearTech's returnable container program saves more than 1.8 million kilograms of plastic, steel, and wood from recycling depots and landfills every year.



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Container  
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Standards

# ClearTech container return standards

To qualify for return, containers must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Be a *ClearTech* returnable container.
- ✓ Have *legible original labels, markings, and classifications*.
- ✓ Be *completely empty* and *free of all residue*, both inside and out.
- ✓ Be *securely closed* with the appropriate fill caps, bungs, lids, gaskets, and valves.
- ✓ Be *suitable for reuse*, with *no punctures, cuts, cracks, paint, stains, or markings*.
- ✓ Be *returned ideally within 3 months* of receipt.
- ✓ Be *returned within the following timeframes* to avoid forfeiture of the deposit:
  - > *Intermediate Bulk Containers (IBCs) within 120 days of shipment.*
  - > *All other returnable containers within 1 year of shipment.*

Additionally, pallets must:

- ✓ Be in *good condition*, with *no broken or missing slats*.

These containers cannot  
be accepted for return



Bung plug(s) missing



Residue exceeds 3.5 L in IBCs, 1 inch in drums, and ½ inch in carboys, or residue other than original contents

These containers will be accepted for return,  
but deposit cannot be refunded



Hole or gash in head, bottom, or body



Flange cracked, threads stripped, or weld is broken

These containers will be accepted for return,  
but deposit may be partially refunded



Bulged head or bottom, distorting flange or chime



Damage to fittings or deep, sharp crease in body