



Container Expansion Applicable Product Guide

Interchange
Recycling

Expanded Container Product List and Definition

Automotive Containers - all empty containers 50l or less which are manufactured and used to contain substances designed specifically for automotive maintenance and repair, as defined in the *2025 Recycling Regulations Amendment Schedule 2 – Automotive Product Category & Canister Product Category*.

- Automotive Adhesives
- Automotive Aerosols
- Brake Fluid
- DEF
- Windshield Washer Fluid
- Fuel System Cleaners
- Automotive Degreasers
- Automotive Sealers
- Fuel Stabilizers
- Lubricants
- Automotive Solvents
- Fuel Boosters

Product Definitions

Automotive Adhesives – substances such as glue, cement, or paste, applied to components or surfaces on a vehicle to bind them together and resist separation.

Brake Fluid – hydraulic fluid used in automotive braking and clutch systems to transfer pressure from the pedal to the wheel cylinders/calipers, stopping the vehicle.

DEF – a substance injected into the exhaust stream of modern diesel engines to chemically convert hazardous nitrogen oxides into harmless nitrogen and water vapour.

Windshield Washer Fluid – a specialized cleaning liquid stored in a reservoir within the vehicle designed to remove dirt, bugs, and ice from vehicle windshields.

Fuel System Cleaners – a chemical solvent/detergent additive poured into a vehicle's fuel tank to dissolve carbon deposits, dirt, and gum from injectors, intake valves, and combustion chambers.

Automotive Degreasers – a specialized cleaner engineered to break down and remove stubborn grease, oil, dirt, and grime from car engines, undercarriages, and metal parts.

Product Definitions

Automotive Sealers – a substance applied to external components of a vehicle to protect from weather or contaminants. May also apply to substances that are used to create watertight seals on internal components.

Fuel Stabilizers – a chemical additive mixed into gasoline or diesel to prevent fuel degradation, oxidation, and moisture buildup during long-term storage

Lubricants – a substance applied between moving components within a vehicle to reduce friction, heat, and wear.

Automotive Solvents – chemicals used to dissolve, dilute, clean, or remove substances such as grease, oil, and contaminants from vehicle components or surfaces.

Fuel Boosters – a liquid chemical additive poured directly into a vehicle's fuel tank to increase the octane rating of gasoline.

Automotive Aerosols – a self-contained, pressurized product designed to dispense any of the aforementioned substances in a fine mist, spray, or foam.

Expanded Container Product Label Guidance

To identify product containers that are included in the Interchange program look for the following on the label:

- The name of any of the automotive products included in the list
- A reference to a specific automotive component
- A reference to automotive vehicles in general
- A depiction of a specific automotive component
- A depiction of an automotive vehicle

There is an example of each of the above bullet points on the following five pages.

Expanded Container Product Label Guidance

In this example the name of a product that is included in the product list appears on the label of the container:



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In this example there is a reference to a specific automotive component on the container label. The product's outer box also carries a picture of the component:



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In this example there is a reference to automotive vehicles in general on the container label:



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In this example there is a depiction of a specific automotive component on the container label:



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In this example there is a depiction of an automotive vehicle on the container label:



GHS Symbols

Product containers included in the Interchange program may carry GHS (Globally Harmonized System) pictograms, but they don't dictate whether a container is or isn't included in the program.



Products that carry a flammable symbol are included in Product Care Association's BC program, as long as the container size is less than 10 litres. Their program is designed to manage residual fluid/aerosols.

Examples of Applicable Products



**Automotive
Aerosols**



Fuel Stabilizers



**Automotive
Degreasers**



**Automotive
Sealants**

Examples of Applicable Products



Fuel Booster



DEF



Automotive Adhesives



Brake Fluid

Examples of Applicable Products



**Fuel System
Cleaners**



**Automotive
Aerosols**



**Automotive
Solvents**



**Windshield
Washer Fluid**

Examples of Non-Applicable Products

Aerosols



Note: the flammable symbol indicates that this product is included in the Product Care Association BC program

Product is designed to be multi-purpose, not specifically targeted at automotive repair



Product is designed for automotive cleaning/cosmetics, rather than repair or maintenance



Note: the flammable symbol indicates that this product is included in the Product Care Association BC program

Paints are not included in the Interchange program

Examples of Non-Applicable Products

Solvents



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Products are not specifically designed to be used in automotive repair or maintenance, and are either multi-purpose or targeted at different uses

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Degreasers



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Sealants



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Adhesives



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