

**§ 451.16 Action by approval authority—individual approval.**

(a) The approval authority arranges with the manufacturer or owner to witness testing in accordance with Annex II to the convention. Upon witnessing successful completion of the tests, the approval authority issues to the owner a notice of approval that authorizes the attachment of a safety approval plate.

**§ 451.18 Review of denials of approval.**

(a) An applicant aggrieved by a decision of an approval authority may obtain review of the decision by the Chief, Office of Operating and Environmental Standards (G-MSO), U.S. Coast Guard. The decision of the Chief, Office of Operating and Environmental Standards (G-MSO), U.S. Coast Guard is a final agency action.

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**Subpart C—Safety Approval Plate****§ 451.21 Safety approval plate required.**

(a) The safety approval plate must be supplied by the owner or manufacturer.

**§ 451.23 Plate specifications.**

(a) The safety approval plate must be of the size and in the format specified in the appendix to Annex I to the convention.

(b) The safety approval plate must be:

(1) Designed to withstand and remain legible after a 15 minute exposure to a medium intensity fire producing a temperature of 1,000 °F (540 °C), when mounted on the specified material of construction of the container.

(2) Designed to resist the corrosive effects of its environment, both at sea and ashore, so as to remain legible for the working life of the container.

(3) Designed to have a legible life expectancy equal to or greater than the life expectancy of the container to which the plate is affixed.

**§ 451.25 Required information.**

(a) The safety approval number appearing on line 1 of the safety approval

plate must be of the form “USA/(approval number, which includes the approval authority identification code)/(year in which approval was granted).”

(b) The date upon which approval was granted must be the same for all containers of a design-type or type-series covered by one notice of approval.

(c) The safety approval number must be the same for all containers of a design-type or type-series covered by one notice of approval.

(d) The owner’s International Organization for Standardization (ISO) alpha numeric identification numbers may be used in place of the manufacturer’s identification numbers on line 3 of the safety approval plate. If owner’s identification numbers are used and the manufacturer’s are available, the owner shall keep records correlating the owner’s identification numbers used with the manufacturer’s number. If a container marked with owner’s identification numbers changes ownership, and the owner’s identification number is changed as a result, the new owner must add the new owner’s identification number, following the original owner’s identification number on line 3 of the safety approval plate. In the event that the new owner’s identification number cannot be legibly added to line 3 of the safety approval plate following the original owner’s identification number, the new owner is authorized to put a new safety approval plate on the freight container provided that all the information contained on the original safety approval plate is retained in the owners files.

**PART 452—EXAMINATION OF CONTAINERS**

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452.1 Periodic examination required.

452.3 Elements of periodic examinations.

452.5 Examinations made in conjunction with other inspections.

452.7 Continuous examination program.

452.9 Elements of a continuous examination program.

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