



WALSH Safety News



GOOD SAFETY HABITS

Gas Containers

One thing we use every day is our portable hand held gas containers. We don't often think about the required OSHA regulations that accompany the use of these gas can on site. OSHA (29 CFR 1926.152(a)(1) has very strict regulations on the use of portable has cans. First off you must have a can that is no more than 5 gallons. You can only use approved containers that have a flash arresting screen this is a screen that breaks up any spark that might occur. You must also have a spring close lid on the can. This means

Your can has a fill hole that closes automatically when

you are not using it. Most plastic cans do not have this. Lastly you must have a spout cover on the can so there is no leakage. You cannot use the cheap can bought at local stores that typically made out of plastic have a lid can be screwed off and on. Be careful when purchasing a can has a lot of them State that they are EPA approved, all cans must be an DOT approved.

Other things to consider ensure you turn off all vehicles or engines when filling for the portable gas tank. Never fill up portable gas cans in the vehicle never store gas cans and close vehicle is the vapors may become harmful now is it sure the aas cans are properly secured unit vehicle and transported DOT requires the be ratchet strap for bungee cord and to a truck bed.





As I am sure all of you know Diesel fuel and gasoline have different colored cans And need to be this way on site. Diesel fuel should always be stored in a yellow can table diesel Well gasoline should be stored In a red can Label gasoline Gasoline and diesel cans can be stored together as well as transported together as long as they are

In the proper label can.

BAD SAFETY HABITS



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