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(e) Pyrophoric Class 7 (radioactive) materials transported by aircraft must be packaged in Type B packages.


§ 173.419 Authorized packages—oxidizing Class 7 (radioactive) materials.

(a) An oxidizing Class 7 (radioactive) material, as referenced in the §172.101 table of this subchapter, is authorized in quantities not exceeding an A₂ per package, in a DOT Specification 7A package provided that—

(1) The contents are:
   (i) Not fissile;
   (ii) Packed in inside packagings of glass, metal or compatible plastic; and
   (iii) Cushioned with a material that will not react with the contents; and

(2) The outside packaging is made of wood, metal, or plastic.

(b) The package must be capable of meeting the applicable test requirements of §173.465 without leakage of contents.

(c) For shipment by air, the maximum quantity in any package may not exceed 11.3 kg (25 pounds).


§ 173.420 Uranium hexafluoride (fissile, fissile excepted and non-fissile).

(a) In addition to any other applicable requirements of this subchapter, quantities greater than 0.1 kg of fissile, fissile excepted or non-fissile uranium hexafluoride must be offered for transportation as follows:

(1) Before initial filling and during periodic inspection and test, packagings must be cleaned in accordance with American National Standard N14.1 (IBR, see §171.7 of this subchapter).

(2) Packagings must be designed, fabricated, inspected, tested and marked in accordance with—

(i) American National Standard N14.1 in effect at the time the packaging was manufactured;

(ii) Specifications for Class DOT-106A multi-unit tank car tanks (see §§179.300 and 179.301 of this subchapter); or

(iii) Section VIII of the ASME Code (IBR, see §171.7 of this subchapter), provided the packaging—

(A) Was manufactured on or before June 30, 1987;

(B) Conforms to the edition of the ASME Code in effect at the time the packaging was manufactured;

(C) Is used within its original design limitations; and

(D) Has shell and head thicknesses that have not decreased below the minimum value specified in the following table:

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<th>Packaging model</th>
<th>Minimum thickness; millimeters (inches)</th>
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<tr>
<td>1S, 2S</td>
<td>1.58 (0.062)</td>
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<tr>
<td>5A, 5B, 8A</td>
<td>3.17 (0.125)</td>
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<tr>
<td>12A, 12B</td>
<td>4.76 (0.187)</td>
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<td>30B</td>
<td>7.93 (0.312)</td>
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<tr>
<td>48A, F, X, and Y</td>
<td>12.70 (0.500)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>48T, Q, OM, OM Allied, HX, H, and G ...</td>
<td>6.35 (0.250)</td>
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(3) Each package shall be designed so that it will:

(i) Withstand a hydraulic test at an internal pressure of at least 1.4 MPa (200 psi) without leakage;

(ii) withstand the test specified in §173.465(c) without loss or dispersal of the uranium hexafluoride; and

(iii) withstand the test specified in 10 CFR 71.73(c)(4) without rupture of the containment system.

(4) Uranium hexafluoride must be in solid form.

(b) Each packaging for uranium hexafluoride must be periodically inspected, tested, marked and otherwise conform with the American National Standard N14.1.

(c) Each repair to a packaging for uranium hexafluoride must be performed in accordance with the American National Standard N14.1.

(d) Non-fissile uranium hexafluoride, in quantities of less than 0.1 kg, may
be shipped in packaging that meets §§173.24, 173.24a, and 173.410.

§ 173.421 Excepted packages for limited quantities of Class 7 (radioactive) materials.
(a) A Class 7 (radioactive) material with an activity per package which does not exceed the limited quantity package limits specified in Table 4 in §173.425, and its packaging, are excepted from requirements in this subchapter for specification packaging, labeling, marking (except for the UN identification number marking requirement described in §173.422(a)), and if not a hazardous substance or hazardous waste, shipping papers, and the requirements of this subpart if:
(1) Each package meets the general design requirements of §173.410;
(2) The radiation level at any point on the external surface of the package does not exceed 0.005 mSv/hour (0.5 mrem/hour);
(3) The nonfixed (removable) radioactive surface contamination on the external surface of the package does not exceed the limits specified in §173.443(a);
(4) The outside of the inner packaging or, if there is no inner packaging, the outside of the packaging itself bears the marking “Radioactive”;
(5) The package does not contain fissile material unless excepted by §173.453.
(6) The material is otherwise prepared for shipment as specified in accordance with §173.422.
(b) A limited quantity of Class 7 (radioactive) material that is a hazardous substance or a hazardous waste, is not subject to the provisions in §173.421(a) through (a)(5) or §173.424(a) through (g), as appropriate; and
(c) Offered for transportation in accordance with the requirements applicable to the hazard for which it is classed.

§ 173.423 Requirements for multiple hazard limited quantity Class 7 (radioactive) materials.
(a) Except as provided in §173.4, when a limited quantity radioactive material meets the definition of another hazard class or division, it must be—
(1) Classed for the additional hazard;
(2) Packaged to conform with the requirements specified in §173.421(a)(1) through (a)(6) or §173.424(a) through (e), as appropriate; and
(3) Offered for transportation in accordance with the requirements applicable to the hazard for which it is classed.
(b) A limited quantity Class 7 (radioactive) material which is classed other than Class 7 in accordance with this subchapter is excepted from the requirements of §§173.422(a), 172.203(d), and 172.204(c)(4) of this subchapter if the entry “Limited quantity radioactive material” appears on the shipping paper in association with the basic description.

§ 173.424 Excepted packages for radioactive instruments and articles.
A radioactive instrument or article and its packaging are excepted from requirements in this subchapter for specification packaging, labeling, marking