§ 451.11 Application for approval—general.

(a) An owner of a new container, or a manufacturer acting on behalf of an owner of a container, shall make application for approval in writing to the Approval Authority. The application must contain the following information:

(1) Date and place of manufacture.
(2) Manufacturer’s identification number, if available.
(3) Maximum operating gross weight capacity.
(4) Allowable stacking weight for 1.8G (1.8 × Gross weight in kilograms or pounds).

NOTE: This value is the total load the container is designed to support when subjected to a vertical acceleration of 1.8G.

(5) A statement that the owner possesses documentary evidence that:
   (i) Container of this type has been safely used in marine or inland transport for a period of at least two years;
   or
   (ii) The container was manufactured to a design type which had been tested and found to comply with the technical conditions set out in Annex II to the convention with the exception of those technical conditions relating to the end-wall and side-wall strength tests;
   or
   (iii) The container was constructed to standards that were equivalent to the technical conditions set out in Annex II to the convention with the exception of those technical conditions relating to end-wall and side-wall strength tests.

(6) A certification by the owner, or, if the owner is a corporation, partnership or unincorporated association, by a person authorized to make such statements for the organization, that the information provided in the application is true and correct.


§ 451.15 Resubmission or appeal.

(a) Upon receipt of a denial of approval for certain containers, an owner may correct the noted deficiencies and resubmit the application without prejudice.

(b) 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 (CG-OES), U.S. Coast Guard. The decision of the Chief, Office of Operating and Environmental Standards (CG-OES), U.S. Coast Guard is a final agency action.


§ 451.17 Alternative approval of existing containers.

(a) Existing containers that do not qualify for approval under this subpart may be presented for approval under the provisions of subpart B of this part. For such containers, the requirements of subpart B of this part, relating to the end and sidewall strength tests, do not apply. Upon showing that the containers have performed satisfactorily in service, the applicant may omit the presentation of drawings and testing, other than the lifting and floor strength test, if permitted by the approval authority.