

Keep Containers Shipshape!



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WATCH IT
BUDDY!
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YOU'RE NOT!

WHEN IT COMES TO
HAZMAT MATERIALS
AND ISO CONTAINERS,
SHORTCUTS ALMOST
ALWAYS CAUSE
TROUBLE.

AND THAT'S
THE CASE
WITH ISO
SHIPPING
CONTAINER
PLACARDS.



Some Soldiers paint over the placards before their units reshipe empty ISO containers. But, slapping paint over container placards slated for reshipment is sloppy. It's also **prohibited** by the transportation regulations.

Why is this quick fix a problem? Covering up placards with paint can lead to risky confusion over container contents. Eventually, marred placards must be completely removed by someone down the line. Passing the buck is inconsiderate and may be costly to the unit or installation that shipped or returned the container. It's also **illegal!**

Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Chap 1, Section 172.502, Subpart F, *Placarding*, prohibits any markings on containers that might be confused with placards required for hazardous materials.

To comply with Title 49, all placards and placard decals must be completely removed from empty and nonhazardous ISO shipping (freight) containers prior to reshipment.

Removing Placard Decals

MATERIALS
NEEDED...



- WD-40®
- Dry, clean cloth
- Dish soap
- Mineral oil
- Hair dryer
- Goo Gone®



TRY ANY OR ALL OF THE
FOLLOWING FIVE SUGGESTIONS
FOR REMOVING STUBBORN
PLACARD DECALS...

- Spray the placard decal with WD-40 and let it soak for 5 to 10 minutes.
- Peel away as much of the placard decal as possible with your fingernail. Apply dish soap to placard decal with a clean cloth and allow it to sit for at least 5 minutes before scrubbing away the residual with a clean cloth.
- Apply mineral oil to the placard decal and allow it to soak for several minutes. Once the placard decal is soft, it should scrub away easily.
- Lift a corner of the placard decal and use a hair dryer to heat it underneath to soften the adhesive. Keep peeling the placard decal back while holding the heat on the area until the placard decal is removed.
- Peel away as much of the placard decal as possible and spray the residual with a product such as Goo Gone. Allow the placard decal to soak for 2 to 3 minutes and scrub the area with a dry, clean cloth.

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Don't Lift Tow Armored FMTVs!

Don't use any wrecker to lift tow armored FMTVs! It's not authorized because it can lead to serious injury or major truck damage! So make sure wrecker operators **only** flat tow armored FMTVs. Eyeball TACOM LCMC GPA 10-019 if you need more info:

https://aeps2.ria.army.mil/commodity/gpm/tacom_wn/gpa10-019a.html

MRAP Category Meanings

Operators, here's what those MRAP categories mean: **CAT I** is used for combat operations in rural and urban terrain. **CAT II** is used for multi-mission operations like leading convoys, transporting troops, and serving as an ambulance and utility vehicle. **CAT III** is used for mine- and IED-clearing operations and explosive-ordnance disposal. The **M-ATV** is a newer, lighter MRAP that's easier to drive. It's usable on most terrain.