



## SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL PACKAGING

At Southern Container, we are dedicated to doing our part for a more sustainable future with our IBC reconditioning services. This value added service helps our customers achieve their ESR standards, reduce single-use plastics & supply a more cost-effective industrial packaging solution.

We offer no-cost responsible pick-up & storage of your used totes removing any environmental liability associated with elemental exposure.

## RESPONSIBLE PICK-UP





The interior and exterior of the used tote is vacuumed, power washed, and flushed followed by advanced leak detection testing to ensure full functionality of the container are certified for re-use.



The bottle of the used tote is removed and converted to scrap and sent to a recycler to be used for other plastic items. The cage is cleaned and a new bottle is added by hand ensuring the proper fit.





## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- 1. Collection program is intended to provide customers with a return service for Intermediate Bulk Containers after a single use.
- 2. Requests are subject to rejection.
- 3. IBCs must be intact and free of punctures.
- 4. These containers must be empty as in the Environmental Protection Agency Regulations, 40 CFR 261.7\*, and they must be properly prepared for transportation under the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 49 CFR 173.29\*\*.\* With regard to most regulated residues, EPA's 40 CFR 261.7 states, (see regulation for exact language) a container is empty if:

(a) all waste is removed that can be removed using practices commonly employed to remove materials from that type of container, e.g. pouring, pumping, aspirating, and (b) no more than 2.5 centimeters (one inch) of non-removable residue in the bottom of the container or no more than 3% by weight of total capacity remains in the container.

For the residue of products specifically specified in 40 CFR 261.31, 261.32, 261.33(e) the container is empty only if the container has been triple rinsed using a solvent capable of removing, or has been cleaned by another method shown capable of equivalent removal.

- 5. Containers must be properly emptied, classified, described, packaged, marked, labeled, and in proper condition for transportation according to applicable regulations of the United States Department of Transportation. This will protect YOU. HAZMAT may require placards to be provided to the driver per DOT rules. \*\*DOT's 49 CFR 173.29 states that all openings on the empty container must be closed and that all markings and labels must be in place as if the container were full of its original contents.
- 6. Failure to comply with these guidelines will result in containers being returned for freight collection and all charges incurred will be billed to the shipper. If the non-hazardous heel is to be processed (more than the empty described above), the chemical residue left in containers will be billed back to the shipper at a rate of \$9 per gallon. One inch of the heel is approximately seven gallons. A \$25 handling fee will apply to each IBC with excess heel regardless of if returned to the shipper or not.