

Marking and Labeling

9.1 General Requirements

9.1.1 Shipper's General Responsibility

The shipper is responsible for all necessary marking and labeling on each live animal container. Each container must be of such size that there is adequate space to affix all required markings and labels.

9.2 Marking

9.2.1 Quality and Specification of Markings

9.2.1.1 General

Markings required under 9.2.2 must be durable and printed or otherwise marked on or affixed to the external surface of the live animal container.

9.2.1.2 Language

English must be used in addition to the language which may be required by the state of origin.

9.2.2 Container Marking

9.2.2.1 Unless otherwise specified in these Regulations, each live animal container must be marked, durably and legibly on the outside of the container, with each of the following:

- (a) The full name and address and contact number of the shipper, consignee and a 24-hour contact (if it is not one of the aforementioned persons responsible for the shipment).
- (b) The scientific and common name of the animal(s) and quantity of each animal contained in the container, as shown on the shipper's certification.
- (c) Containers carrying animals which can inflict poisonous bites or stings must be boldly marked "POISONOUS". Aggressive animals or birds that can possibly inflict injury through the bars or ventilation openings of the container must have an additional warning label "This Animal Bites".
- (d) **Affix special feeding and watering instructions to the container.**
- (e) **In general, tranquillisation is not advocated for the** transportation of live animals. However, certain wild species require the use of such medication. Whenever used, they must be administered under competent supervision and the name of the sedative, time of administration and the route of administration must be clearly marked on the container and a copy of the record must be attached to the documents relating to that shipment. Any further medication administered must be recorded and accompany the shipment with the name of the sedative, time of administration and the route of administration.

9.3 Labeling

9.3.1 Quality and Specification of Labels

9.3.1.1 Durability

The material of every label, the printing and any adhesive thereon, must be sufficiently durable to withstand normal transport conditions and to ensure that the label remains recognisable and legible during transportation.

9.3.1.2 Label Specification

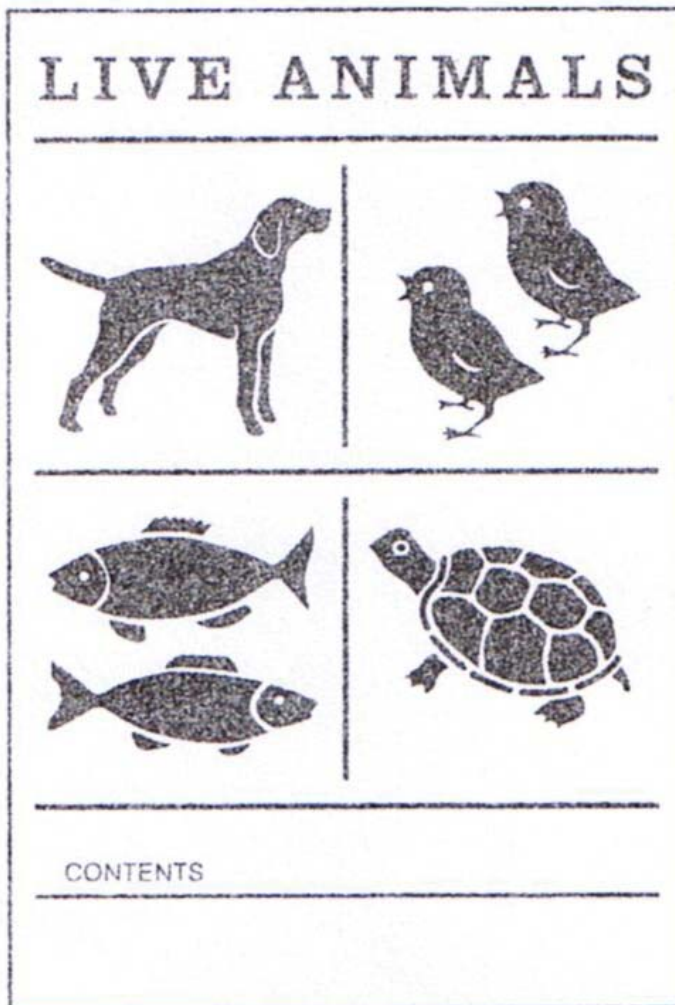
All labels used on live animal containers must conform, in shape, colour, format, symbol and text to the specimen designs reproduced in 9.3.2.

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9.3.2 Applicability of Labels

9.32.1 “Live Animals” Label

It is mandatory to attach at least one IATA “Live Animals” or one “Laboratory Animals” label or tag, properly completed, to each live animal container, unless otherwise stated in the individual container requirements. Animal containers may have the appropriate labeling imprinted.



Name: Live Animals.

Colour: Bright green on light background.

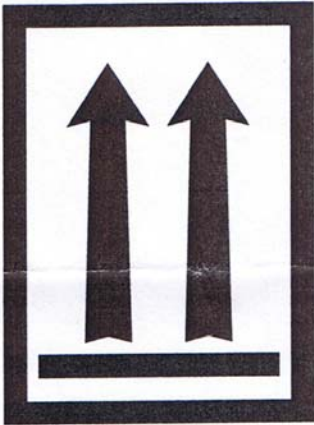
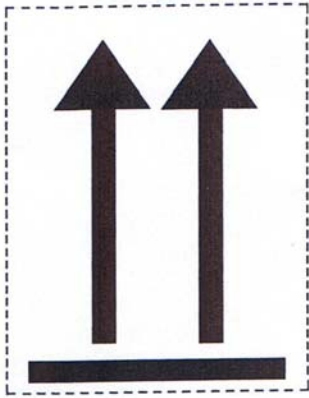
Minimum dimensions:

for label: 10x 15cm (4 x 6 in);

for lettering: 2.5 cm (1 in) high.

9.3.2.2 “This Way Up” Label

In addition to the “Live Animals” label, it is mandatory that the “This Way Up” labels or markings be placed on at least two opposite sides. Labels may be imprinted on the container



Name: Package Orientation “This Way Up”

Colour: Red or black on a contrasting background.

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9.3.2.3 “Laboratory Animals” Label

Consignments of Specific Pathogen Free (SPF) axenic (germ free) or gnotoxenic (defined flora) animals for laboratory use shall have the special laboratory animals label attached instead of the green “Live Animals” label. Labels may be imprinted on the container.

9.3.2.4 Prohibited Labeling

Any labeling, especially on small containers, must not occlude or block ventilation openings.

9.3.2.5 Replacement of Labels

After acceptance, if a carrier discovers that labels have been lost, detached or are illegible, they must be replaced.



Name: Laboratory Animals.

Colour: Bright red on light background.

Minimum dimensions: 10 x 15 cm (4 x 6 in).

Note:

The use of standard “Live Animals” label or tag on SPF container is optional.