

FDA Labeling Requirements for **Personal Care Products**



Outer Container

- **Principal Display Panel (PDP)**

- Name of the Product
- Identity
- Warning
- Net quantity of ingredients

- **Information Panel (IP)**

- Directions for safe use
- Warning
- Name and place of business
- Ingredient declaration
- Additional Information

Inner Container

- **Front Panel**

- Name of the Product

- **Information Panel (IP)**

- Directions for safe use
- Warning
- Name and place of business
- Ingredient declaration
- Additional Information



Prominence and Conspicuousness

- Panel size large enough to display information
- Sufficient background contrasts
- No obscuring vignettes, graphics, designs, etc.

Identity Labeling

- Name of your product
- Nature of the cosmetic (use a common, usual, or descriptive name. Don't use a fanciful name unless the name is widely accepted)
- Reasonable type size
- Bold typeface
- Parallel to the PDP's resting base

Identity Labeling

- Preceding the address with terms like **manufactured for**, **Distributed by**, **Packaged by**, or other appropriate terms if the address is **not** the manufacturer's
- Corporate Name
- Street address
- City name
- State name
- Zip code

Quantity of Contents

- Location: Bottom 30% of the outer container's PD
- Parallel to the PDP's resting base



Type Requirement

- Spacing: Separated from other printed matter by a **space equal to at least the height of the lettering** used in the declaration and **twice the width of the letter "N"**.
- Type Size: 1/16" (PDP < 5 sq. in.)
- Type Size: 1/8" (PDP 5-25 sq. in.)
- Type Size: 3/16" (PDP 25-100 sq. in.)
- Bold** typeface
- Aspect Ratio of height to width **mustn't exceed 3:1**

Units of weights and measures

- Fluid measures **express volumes** at **68 F**
- Using the right weight measurements units: avoirdupois pound, and ounce
- Using the right fluid measurement units: U.S. gallon, quart, pint, and fluid ounce
- Preceding **weight** declarations with **"net weight", "net wt."**
- Preceding liquid declarations with **"net contents", "net", or nothing**

Warning Statements

- Prominent compared to other statements
- Type size no less than 1/16"



Ingredient Declaration

Type Requirements

- Prominent type
- Type size no less than 1/16" (1/32" if PDP area < 12 sq.in.)

Ingredients' name

- Ingredient name** as established by the Commissioner/ listed in Compendium / generally recognised name / technical description

Order of Declaration

- List **active ingredients** (if the cosmetic is also a drug)
- Ingredients **higher than 1% concentration** declared in descending order of predominance
- Ingredients **less than 1% concentration**
- Color additive
- Fragrance
- Trade secret

Labeling Requirements for Leaflets

- Ingredient declarations for all products
- Includes instructions to ensure that retailers display the leaflets.
- New leaflets are dated (only if formulation changes)
- Include federal law statement in type size no less than 3/16"





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