PROVIDE LISTED CONTAINER FOR OILY RAG STORAGE

CODE SECTIONS

2010 Yocha Dehe Fire Code

Section 304.3 Containers. Combustible rubbish, and waste materials kept within or near a structure shall be stored in accordance with Section 304.3.1 through 304.3.4.

Title 19 3.19(c) Approved self closing metal containers or listed disposal containers by an approved testing or listing agency shall be provided and maintained in all rooms or locations where oily rags, oily waste, paint rags, or similar materials subject to spontaneous ignition are used, or are stored temporarily. Contents of such containers shall be removed and disposed of daily.

EXPLANATION

All rags that contain any combustible or flammable liquids must be stored in a metal can equipped with a tight fitting cover. The cover shall be tightly kept on the can at all times.

RATIONALE

Rags coated with flammable or combustible liquids such as linseed oil, thinners, and solvents have the potential to spontaneously ignite. Given this propensity for ignition, rags containing these liquids must be kept in a noncombustible can with a tight fitting, noncombustible lid. These containers will exclude the air necessary for combustion and also contain the fire should one ignite.

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