

## **GUIDELINES FOR THE COLLECTION OF USED DRUMS**

### TERMS OF ACCEPTANCE FOR EMPTY DRUMS

1. The packaging must be empty. A drum is EMPTY if all the residue, that can be removed by the emptier has been removed by using the practices commonly employed to remove material from that type of packaging e.g. pouring, pumping, aspirating, shaking, scraping, chipping etc. or if necessary a combination of these.
2. The original labels describing packaging content must not be removed or made illegible.
3. Substances other than the original product must not be put into the drums.
4. The drums must be carefully and fully closed. All closures must be in place. Bungs to be placed on tight head drums and locking rings to be secured on open head drums.
5. The grading of drums will take place in the reconditioner's yard when the trailers are being unloaded and that grading is binding.
6. Drums that do not comply with these terms of acceptance will be returned to the place of origin on the account of the supplier.
7. Drums will be deemed as scrap if: -
  - The containers are badly dented beyond repair
  - The closure necks are damaged
  - Failure to replace the closures securely has allowed rainwater to seep in, causing internal rust
  - The containers are internally rusty due to the nature of the product attacking the steel
  - The internal lacquer is peeling or flaking
  - The container is punctured or holed
  - The top or base chimb (seam) is distorted (minor damage acceptable)