
29 C.F.R. § 1926.51

Sanitation.

- (a) *Potable water.* (1) An adequate supply of potable water shall be provided in all places of employment.
- (2) Portable containers used to dispense drinking water shall be capable of being tightly closed, and equipped with a tap. Water shall not be dipped from containers.
- (3) Any container used to distribute drinking water shall be clearly marked as to the nature of its contents and not used for any other purpose.
- (4) The common drinking cup is prohibited.
- (5) Where single service cups (to be used but once) are supplied, both a sanitary container for the unused cups and a receptacle for disposing of the used cups shall be provided.
- (6) *Potable water* means water that meets the standards for drinking purposes of the State or local authority having jurisdiction, or water that meets the quality standards prescribed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (40 CFR part 141).
- (b) *Nonpotable water.* (1) Outlets for nonpotable water, such as water for industrial or firefighting purposes only, shall be identified by signs meeting the requirements of subpart G of this part, to indicate clearly that the water is unsafe and is not to be used for drinking, washing, or cooking purposes.

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