

How to Wash the Exterior of a Milk Tanker¹

Transport Company:

Facility location:

Employee signature:

Supervisor or trainer signature:

Time of the day:

Date:

These procedures are the recommend minimum steps for cleaning and disinfection of the exterior of a milk Tanker. Alternative procedures for achieving the C&D objectives may be used as required under specific circumstances.

1. Make sure that all openings on the tanker are closed tightly.
2. Clean the undercarriage and tires with a high-pressure washer and appropriate detergent to remove dirt or ice.
3. Foam the entire exterior of the tanker, undercarriage of the trailer, and tires with a soft, metal-type, general purpose foaming cleaner. Follow the manufacturer recommended procedures for this product.
4. Let foam sit on all areas for 5 to 10 minutes.
5. Rinse with a quaternary ammonium or chlorine sanitizer after foam.
 - a. Minimum sanitizer concentration for quaternary sanitizer is 200 ppm (or per manufacturers recommendation)
 - b. Minimum sanitizer concentration for chlorine 50 ppm.
6. Check the concentration of the sanitizer on every tanker and record the results on the exterior wash certificate.
7. After all areas are rinsed with sanitizer, complete the exterior wash certificate.
8. Give one copy of the exterior wash certificate to the driver and file the other copy with the tanker unloading paperwork.

¹ Adapted from U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA-APHIS), [Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Secure Egg Supply \(SES\) Plan](#) (Draft August, 2010), C-24.