Proper Rinsing is the Key! 
Triple Rinse All Containers!

- The first step before your containers can be accepted for recycling is to thoroughly rinse all residues from the containers immediately after use.
- Empty contents of container into the spray tank, turning the container so that any product trapped in the handle is allowed to flow out. Once flow is down to a drip, allow the container to drain for an additional 30 seconds.
- Immediately begin rinsing procedures or the product may become difficult to remove.
- Connect nozzle to a clean water source of at least 40 psi. Turn the nozzle inside the container to assure good coverage of all sides, including the handle.
- Hold the container so the opening can drain into the spray tank.
- Force tip of the pressure nozzle through the lower portion of the side closest to the handle.
- Rinse for at least 30 seconds.
- Drain all rinse water into spray tank.
- Remove the cap and all labels on containers before taking to container sites.

Acceptable or Unacceptable

Compare your container with the following examples.

Acceptable

Unacceptable

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Benefits of Recycling

Recycling protects human health and the environment by reducing the threat of improper rinsing and disposal.

Recycling pesticide containers gives the farmer and commercial applicator a safe, convenient and inexpensive way to eliminate a disposal problem.

Recycling will lighten the burden on our landfills.

Recycling ensures that the user is in compliance with state regulations that prohibit open dumping, burning, burying, or water dumping of pesticide containers.