

Pressure Testing (mini-bulk) Portable Refillable Containers (PRC)

1. Some, but not all, PRC's will already have a sticker indicating the last time the tank was pressure tested
2. You must document all pressure testing and visual inspections
3. Hit the PRC with a baseball bat to ensure the integrity of the tank. If the tank is not damaged after the "baseball bat test", proceed to the next step
4. Pressure testing must be done every 30 months (2.5 years)
5. Prior to pressurizing the PRC, make sure all openings such as vents, caps, valves, etc..... are tight
6. Pressurize the PRC to 3 PSI. **CAUTION** 5-6 PSI will cause the tank to bulge
7. Double check all openings to make sure they are tight
8. Spray the PRC with soapy water and look for bubbles
9. Maintain 3 PSI for approximately 5 minutes
10. During the 5 minute pressure test, conduct a walk around inspection of the PRC and check for spider web cracking, discoloration or weak spots due to exposure from the sun
11. Once testing and inspection is complete, place a sticker on the tank indicating the month and year of the inspection
12. Make sure to document all testing and inspection of the PRC
13. A visual inspection must be conducted and documented each time a farmer brings the tank back for refilling