



**THE RUSCOE
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Adhesives &
Sealants

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROPER USE OF RUSCOE CATTLE AND SWINE BACKTAG CEMENT

METAL TUBES AND CANS

The same high tack animal tag adhesive is used in all three container sizes offered to USDA. However, a slight difference in how each container is used is prompted by the type of container. Each will be discussed below.

5 OUNCE TUBES

Before applying adhesive to the tag, unscrew the cap and, using the reverse side of the cap, puncture the foil seal over the aperture of the tube.

Apply approximately 1/8" diameter bead around the back side of the tag, ensuring that it stays at least 1/4" from the outer edge of the tag. A small dollop in the center of the tag is also recommended. Place on animal approximately 12" to 18" down from the top of the animal's back, behind one of the front legs. This is a slightly indented area and placing the tag in this area should help prevent the tag from being chewed or rubbed off. Use significant pressure to fully contact the tag to the hide. Caution – too much adhesive may allow the tag to sag from this position.

PINT CANS

These containers are sealed with a screw on top. Unscrew the cap, place the Plew's oiler pump into the can, and tighten well. The adhesive can now be pumped onto the tag as described above. In instances where the pump does not move adhesive after several squeezes of the trigger, it may be necessary to prime the pump using a common solvent such as Hexane.

QUART CANS

To access the adhesive in this container, pry off the lid with a screwdriver or similar tool. From these open containers, a small amount of adhesive (approximately the size of an acorn) can be scooped from the can and applied to the tag. The adhesive should be spread from the middle of the tag toward the outer edges. Before applying to the animal, ensure that the glue thickness is 1/16" to 1/8" thick. Apply the tag as described above.

PLASTIC BOTTLES

All three of the containers are the same except for their fill volume. All are sealed with a cap for storage. When ready to use the adhesive, remove the seal cap and replace with the Yorker spout cap provided with the bottle. Remove the red seal tip and save for later use. Using a utility knife, cut the Yorker spout tip to an approximate 1/8" opening. Apply adhesive by turning the bottle upside down and slightly squeezing adhesive from the tip onto the tag. Apply as described under 5 ounce tube section above. When finished, reseal the spout using the red seal cap.

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