



To: Growler Can
Date: August 10, 2010
Re: Bear-Resistant Product Test Results (Growler Can with Reinforcement Plates)

Thank you for submitting your product for official testing through the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC), Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (MFWP), and Living with Wildlife Foundation's (LWWF) Bear-Resistant Products Testing Program.

Your 95 gallon bear-resistant residential polycart (cart #1 - plastic roll-out **with metal plate reinforcements on front and sides** of cart and a metal rod through the lid hinge) has been rated by LWWF as a 3* product. A rating of 3* indicates that the container was able to withstand over 60 minutes of biting, clawing, rolling and crushing by the captive grizzly bears at the Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center in West Yellowstone, Montana.

Please note that these ratings apply only to the product as it was submitted for official product testing (see photos above). ***If any specifications are changed (including but not limited to number or type of latches, gauge of metal used, brand of plastic poly cart, size of poly cart, changes in the location or number of latches or metal reinforcements, etc.) this rating is no longer valid.***



Growler Can with Metal Plate Reinforcements As Tested

The 3* rating is the highest rating level assigned by LWWF. In order to qualify as a 4* or 5* product, additional criteria must be met based upon IGBC and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) guidelines. These additional criteria involve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and user-friendliness and maintenance requirements.

I will be forwarding a copy of this letter to the USFS so they can determine if your products qualify for a fourth or fifth star. They will notify you in the event that your products do qualify for one of these additional levels.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the email address or phone number listed below. Thank you again for your interest in our testing program and for your efforts to improve the quality of available bear-resistant products.

Sincerely,

Patti Sowka
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Living with Wildlife Foundation