

“Blue Sanitation Mark” – It is Optional and Supplements the Classification Mark



Food service equipment Classified for “sanitation,” is authorized to bear a UL Classification Mark. The new EPH Mark is being implemented as the Classification Mark for this purpose.



In accordance with Standard Product ID Control #
“OLD”



Standard Product ID Control #

“NEW”

Until transition to the new EPH Mark is completed (April 2003), the “old” Classification Mark is still in use. In either case, these Classification Marks are complete, four - element Marks as described in the individual Guide Pages.

Prior to development of the EPH Mark, the food service industry expressed a need to have a readily identifiable sanitation certification mark that could be prominently displayed on equipment. Regulators were used to seeing such marks during walk-thru inspections at restaurants and other food service establishments. Because the “old” Classification Mark could be confused with an electrical Listing Mark or gas Classification Mark, it was decided that a supplemental mark needed to be developed to meet the need.

Therefore, the “Blue Sanitation Mark” was introduced in the early ‘90’s as a supplemental mark. At the manufacturer’s option, the Mark could be used in addition (supplemental) to the Classification Mark. This **optional, supplemental** Mark was not a complete four - element Classification Mark, but it did incorporate required mark design elements needed for consistent display and recognition by regulators.

Because of its prominence on equipment and extensive usage in promotional materials (by UL and clients), the “Blue Sanitation Mark” has succeeded in denoting the purpose of the UL Classification and obtained widespread regulator acceptance. This market acceptance of the Mark prompted UL to retain the “Blue Sanitation Mark” even when the new EPH Mark was introduced. Today, food service equipment manufacturers can display the “Blue Sanitation Mark” on their equipment, if they choose, as long as the EPH Mark or “old” Classification Mark also appears.

There are no plans to withdraw the “Blue Sanitation Mark

[More information on the implementation of the EPH Mark](#)