Types of Closures/Properties of Closures

McKernan supplies millions of caps or closures at wholesale pricing. These caps include collapsible tube caps, child resistant caps (CRC), continuous thread caps (CT), dispensing caps, metal caps, container lids, overcaps, and hoods.



Child Resistant Caps (CRC)

Child Resistant Caps use mechanisms that create difficulty for children to open a container. Some of these styles include line-up and pop-off caps, squeeze and turn caps, and push and turn caps. Often, you will see either written or pictorial instructions on top of the cap.

Dispensing Caps

Dispensing caps are a type of closure with an opening that allows product to be dispensed without removing the cap. Dispensing caps include snap-top, disc-top, snip-tip, turret or directional spout, push-pull, twist open-close, Yorker, hinge, shaker, spice, single or dual flap and spigot styles. Dispensing caps can have a continuous thread finish or in some cases be a snap-on finish.



Overcaps & Hoods

Overcaps and hoods are types of caps that can be used alone or over sprayers or pumps. These closures often have a snap-on or friction fit finish. Most often, overcaps and hoods are clear, but some can be decorative and colorful.



Collapsible tube caps are generally symmetrical fitting on a collapsible tube. These caps can be either a continuous thread or a snap-on finish and often the top of the cap is flat allowing the packaging to stand on the cap. Some of these closures are able to dispense product using a snap-top, sponge applicator, or twist open and close.

Container Lids

Container lids are a simple cap that is usually a snap-on finish or a friction fit. Most lids are made of plastic but some can be made of glass or metal. Some of those made of glass or metal can be used with candle glass and have a decorative top.

Continuous Thread Caps

The most common types of closures are continuous thread caps which are also called CT. These caps fit on most glass bottles, plastic bottles, metal bottles, glass jars, plastic jars, and tubes. In addition to solid plastic caps, continuous thread caps can also include applicators and brushes. The common characteristic with these caps is that they are a threaded closure.

Metal Caps



Available in continuous thread, ROPP, crown and lug finishes, metal caps are most often used with glass or plastic bottles and glass or plastic jars, especially in the fresh pack, canning, and the food & beverage industries.