

1. Child-resistant locking means for a container having a tubular neck with a neck finish for a twist-action cap, said means consisting of,

- (a) an abutment on said container, said abutment being spaced radially outwardly from the outer side of said neck and having
  - (1) a face lying substantially in a radial plane of said neck and
  - (2) an outer side extending from the outer edge of said face in a retrograde direction and angled inwardly therefrom, and
- (b) a deflectable tab on said cap, said tab having a portion that normally extends radially outwardly into a position of engagement with said face of said abutment and that is movable outwardly relative to said face by engagement with said outer side of said abutment when said cap is twisted onto said container neck to closed position and by manual inward deflection prior to retrograde rotation of said cap from closed position.

2. Child-resistant locking means according to claim 1 in which the tab extends axially from the cap.

3. Child-resistant locking means according to claim 1 in which the cap has an annular skirt and the locking tab is an axial projection at the lower extremity of said skirt.

4. Child-resistant locking means according to claim 1 in which the container neck and the cap have cooperat-

ing mating threads on their outer and inner surfaces, respectively.

5. Child-resistant locking means according to claim 4 in which the cap has two concentric skirts, threads on the inner side of the inner skirt and in which the cooperating deflectable tab is on the outer skirt.

6. A child-resistant closure means for a container having a threaded neck, said closure means comprising in combination,

- (a) an inverted, generally cup-shaped cap having
  - (1) an inner skirt having threads mating with the threads on said container neck,
  - (2) an outer annular skirt,
  - (3) a deflectable locking tab axially projecting from said outer skirt,
- (b) an abutment on said container that is radially spaced from the outer side of said container neck, that has a stop-face lying at least generally in a radial plane of said container neck, that has an outer surface extending angularly inwardly from the outer edge of said stop-face and that is located for engagement by said tab for preventing retrograde rotation of said cap after said cap has been turned onto said container neck to a relative angular position with said tab beyond said abutment face.

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