According to the ASME A13.1 4.2 Color: "Color should be used to identify the characteristic hazards of the contents. Color should be displayed on, or contiguous to, the piping by any physical means, but its use shall be used in combination with a legend. Color may be used in continuous, total-length coverage or in intermittent displays. Colors preceded by the word "Safety" shall meet the requirements of ANSI / NEMA Z535.1"

| FLUID SERVICE | COLOR COMBINATIONS |
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| Fire Quenching Fluids | Safety Red Background / White Legend |
| Toxic & Corrosive Fluids | Safety Orange Background / Black Legend |
| Flammable Fluids | Safety Yellow Background / Black Legend |
| Combustible Fluids | Safety Brown Background / White Legend |
| Potable, Cooling, Boiler feed, & other Water | Safety Green Background / White Legend |
| Compressed Air | Safety Blue Background / White Legend |
| Defined by the User | Safety Purple Background / White Legend |
| | Safety White Background / Black Legend |
| | Safety Grey Background / White Legend |
| | Safety Black Background / White Legend |

