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(54) **Tool having easily identifiable size**

(57) A tool having easily identified size is provided. In one embodiment, the tool comprises a first area (161; 171;181;191;201;211) disposed on an outer surface, the area being printed in a first color different from that of other portions of the tool for identifying the tool as one labeled in either the British system or the metric system, and a printed second area (162;172;182;192;202;212)

as a portion of the first area, the second area having a second color (163;173;183;193;203;213) different from either the first color or that of the other portions of the tool, and a numeral disposed in the second area as a representation of the size of the tool. The numeral has a third color different from either the first or second color so as to provide a contrast of the numeral to the other portions of the tool.

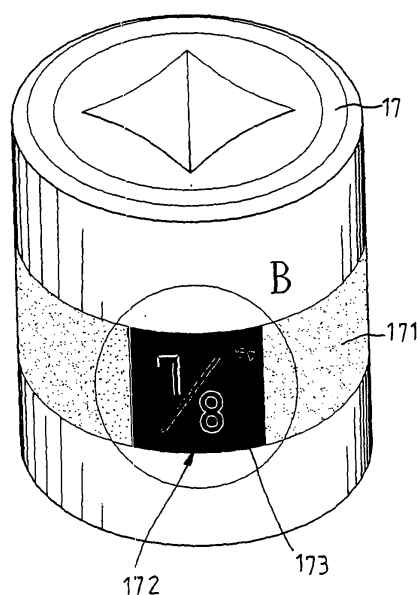
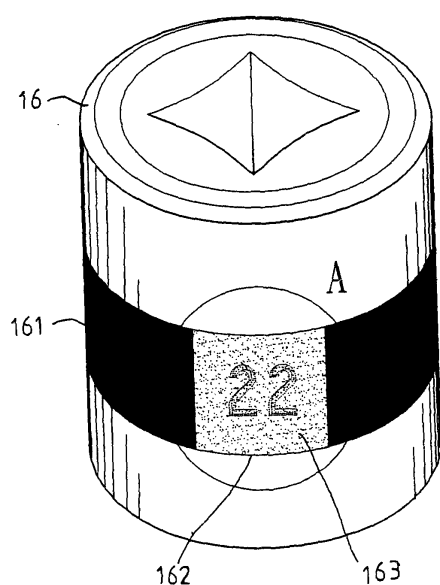


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