

5 Gallon Bucket Supplier for Distributors: Bulk Supply, Lead Time and Custom Options



Nanjing, Jiangsu Jul 29, 2026 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - For distributors, the value of a [5 Gallon Bucket Supplier](#) rarely comes down to the price of a single container. It comes down to whether one procurement channel can hold the correct capacity, a predictable shipping rhythm, and workable customization inside the same supply path. A 5 gallon bucket supplier, in practical terms, is a manufacturer that can supply a dedicated U.S. 5-gallon bucket and keep those units moving across repeat orders. UMETASS, the export brand of Nanjing Shuishan Technology Co., Ltd., builds that path around its LK round plastic bucket series. Its 5-gallon bucket has a brimful capacity of 19.35 L, while the standard U.S. 5-gallon nominal capacity is approximately 18.9 L; the company also offers adjacent brimful capacities of 20.8 L and 21 L for projects that need a slightly larger format. Channel orders usually carry three pressures at once: replenishment speed, brand differences at the shelf, and cross-border delivery. The company answers them by turning capacity, appearance, and fitting requirements into an organized manufacturing plan rather than a one-off quote.

5 Gallon Bucket Supplier: The Distributor Supply Baseline

A 19.35 L Brimful Bucket Establishes the 5-Gallon Supply Baseline

The distributor baseline starts with a dedicated 5-gallon specification. UMETASS supplies a bucket with a 19.35 L brimful capacity, matched to the standard U.S. 5-gallon nominal volume of approximately 18.9

L; brimful capacity is higher because it includes the space up to the rim and varies with the bucket and opening design. For projects requiring a slightly larger format, adjacent options with brimful capacities of 20.8 L and 21 L are also available. The broader LK series extends from 0.5 up to 50 liters, allowing a distribution catalog to connect different capacity needs within one structural family instead of sourcing each size from a separate mold platform. The point is not to replace every packaging task with one large pail; it is to let food, chemical, agricultural, feed, and industrial projects settle their volume match and reorders inside a single bucket system. The LK series uses food-grade PP, supports frozen storage and hot filling up to 120°C, and is designed for secure sealing and repeated reuse.

Lid, handle and dispensing choices keep one bucket platform commercially usable

A container platform only stays commercially useful when its closures and handling options flex with the contents. UMETASS 5-gallon round buckets can be configured with plastic or metal handles, a standard tear-strip lid, a pour-spout lid, a breathable lid, a gamma seal lid, or a screw-top design, so distributors can build product lines around what goes inside and how it is carried. Handles are available on all LK sizes except the 50 liter unit, and the product page also lists functional accessories such as faucets, metal rack stands, and wheeled bases. The tamper-evident tear strip does more than change the look: it gives a clear first-open status, while handles and fittings fold load, pouring, venting, and movement needs into the container choice itself.

Bulk Supply and Lead-Time Paths for Channel Replenishment

Stock and custom orders follow separate, visible delivery rhythms

Reliable channel replenishment depends less on a single promise of speed than on separating two delivery rhythms. UMETASS keeps common sizes in stock, and small orders generally ship within a week. Larger volumes or custom production usually run about one to two weeks, with lead time set by both order quantity and customization requirements. Keeping the two paths distinct protects continuity for routine reorders while reserving a realistic manufacturing window for color, printing, and fitting confirmation. For a distributor, that means a stock reorder and a branded production run are never quoted against the same clock.

Flexible MOQ and samples reduce the risk of a first channel commitment

First commitments to a new supplier carry real risk, and a flexible entry point lowers it. UMETASS applies a flexible minimum order policy and provides standard samples free of charge, so a new distribution project can check size, quality, and application fit before it moves to bulk purchasing. Special customized requirements can also be produced as sample units for approval against the intended specification. This up-front verification turns a channel launch from a single bet into staged decisions: sample confirmation, first order, then volume replenishment, which keeps the buying pace aligned with real end-market demand.

Custom Options That Preserve Brand and Application Fit

Decoration routes turn a stock container into a channel-ready branded pack

Turning a stock container into a channel-ready branded pack is where custom options earn their place. UMETASS supports custom bucket color, silk screen printing, heat transfer printing, and in-mold labeling, letting a 5-gallon project keep one capacity platform while still matching brand identity and product information. Color can be specified to Pantone or standard references, and screen printing runs

up to two colors. The aim is not to stack process names but to keep color, artwork, and label routes consistent with the end packaging strategy, with in-mold labeling, heat transfer, and silk screen each suited to different visual and project conditions.

Customization is strengthened by a broader molding and quality platform

Customization holds together only when it sits on a capable production base. [UMETASS](#), the packaging brand of Nanjing Shuishan Technology Co., Ltd., was founded in 2005 and manufactures across injection molding, injection blow molding, and automatic extrusion blow molding, running IML with automated decoration processes that give bucket projects a foundation for scalable customization. The company operates its own mold workshop and supports OEM and ODM work, and its quality and food-safety systems are certified to ISO 9001 and ISO 22000 / FSSC 22000. For a distributor, the practical rule is that body, lid, handle, and print requirements should be confirmed together with the molding route and the delivery window, so batch output keeps a consistent rhythm.

Quality and Export Execution for Distributor Confidence

Seven checks connect bulk orders to physical handling conditions

Distributor confidence ultimately rests on what happens before units leave the plant. UMETASS runs a seven-step quality check on the LK series that covers lid sealing and opening, leak resistance, tilt stability, drop, stacking, appearance inspection, and impurity control, closing the loop on sealing, stacking, and appearance before shipment. The methods are concrete rather than abstract: the leak-proof test lays a filled bucket on its side for 24 hours, the drop test releases a bucket filled to about 90 percent with water from one meter in both vertical and 10-degree tilted positions, and the stacking test holds units four high for 30 days. Because these methods are published in the product FAQ, a buyer can organize incoming inspection and acceptance around the same conditions.

Export terms allow logistics planning to align with the required service level

Cross-border certainty comes from matching the product and the logistics at the same time. UMETASS ships worldwide and offers courier, air freight, and sea freight, and it supports EXW, FOB, CIF, and DDP trade terms, so a distribution order can be configured around required transit time, budget, and customs responsibility. Bucket specification, batch rhythm, and trade terms together set the execution boundary for arrival, handover, and channel restocking. Buyers in markets including the United States, the United Arab Emirates, and Singapore have noted bulk quality, on-time arrival, and careful shipping communication.

With a dedicated 5-gallon bucket with a 19.35 L brimful capacity, adjacent 20.8 L and 21 L options, a flexible MOQ, separated stock and custom lead times, brand-ready decoration, and a seven-step quality check, UMETASS gives distributors a workable framework from first sample to volume replenishment. The brand promise stays close to that discipline: Exquisite Feelings, Shuishan Manufacturing, expressed through precise sealing, steady production, and flexible packaging for B2B projects worldwide. Distributors evaluating capacity, lid types, custom decoration, samples, and delivery terms can review the full product range and open a project discussion at <https://www.umetass.com/>



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