

TONER CONTAINER AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS**Abstract**

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A toner container detachably attached to an image forming apparatus, the toner container comprising: a cylindrical container body that has an opening, and configured to convey toner towards the opening; a cap portion into which the opening of the container body is inserted, and which includes a toner outlet; a shutter member held on a bottom portion of the cap portion, for opening and closing the toner outlet; shutter rails for guiding the shutter member to move; at least one projection is formed on the cap portion; and a first hole for guiding positioning of the cap portion, wherein the shutter rails are formed such that two protrusions are extended in a direction parallel to the longitudinal direction of the toner container, an end portion of each of the protrusions is a vertical surface on a side edge of the cap portion, the at least one projection comprise two outer side edges, each of the two outer side edges is in a same plane as a corresponding one of the vertical surfaces, and a bottom edge of the first hole is disposed between the two outer side edges.

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