

US Maine Added 3 Chemicals to the Priority Chemicals List

In Nov, 2013, the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) proposed four rules to designate cadmium, formaldehyde, mercury and arsenic as priority chemicals under the Toxics in Children's Products law.

This law requires manufactures of a children's product for sale in the State that contains a priority chemical should report the department. Bisphenol A(BPA) and Nonylphenol/Nonylphenol Ethoxylates(NP/NPE) has been designated as priority chemicals in 2010.

On June 2, 2014, the Maine DEP adopted three rules out of four proposed rules, adding cadmium, mercury and arsenic to the list of priority chemicals.

The new rules commenced on June 2, 2014

The summary for the rules is as below.

Chapter	Chemical	Scope	Requirement	Reporting Deadline
884	Cadmium	Children's Products including bedding, childcare articles, clothing, cosmetics, craft supplies, footwear, games, jewelry and embellishments, safety seats, occasion supplies, personal accessories, personal care product, school supplies, and toys	Manufacturers or distributors of children's products containing intentionally added cadmium, mercury, or arsenic, in an amount greater than a de minimis level , that are manufactured, sold, offered for sale or distributed for sale in the State of Maine should notify department in writing.	Reports must be submitted to Maine DEP no later than November 28, 2014
886	Mercury			
887	Arsenic			

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Maine DEP, Chapter 884: DESIGNATION OF **CADMIUM** AS A PRIORITY CHEMICAL AND REGULATION OF CADMIUM IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS

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Maine DEP, Chapter 886: DESIGNATION OF **MERCURY** AS A PRIORITY CHEMICAL AND REGULATION OF MERCURY IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS

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Maine DEP, Chapter 887: DESIGNATION OF **ARSENIC** AS A PRIORITY CHEMICAL AND REGULATION OF ARSENIC IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS

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