

STAY INFORMED-NEWSLETTE 2017

Furniture Regulatory Updates for October

Dear Friends,

This is a turbulent time and busy year of changing laws, regulations and compliance dates. Interpretation of these changes and labeling requirements is vital for your security and protection. You must stay informed of this changing landscape and avoid the land mines. The costs and consequences of non-compliance far exceed the costs of being fully legally compliant.

The compliance and regulation laws are complex and depending on the law as many as seven State and Federal agencies can be involved; none of which literally “talk” with each other. In certain situations, if you are not compliant in one State all the remaining States under the law affected are notified immediately. While you might be granted an extension, you might not get this extended time in all cases. The specific State or Federal Agency could pull your non-compliant products from retailers, suppliers, manufacturers, distributors and importers’ inventories all through the supply chain.

This Month’s Furnishings Regulatory Newsletter for October includes the following key topics:

- Furniture Labeling Required by Furniture Manufacturers Worldwide for “on product” California Prop 65 Warning notices for any item shipped into California in 2018.
- The Federal Trade Commission-deceptive advertising of Bonded Leather and other commodity violations.
- Federal Bedding Regulations and Standards by the CPSC-Flammability.
- Bedding Regulations required at the State level- 15 different State requirements.
- U.S.EPA Formaldehyde emissions from Furniture rule-new effective dates -TSCA Title VI 40CFR 770.
- Walmart takes lead in reducing harmful chemicals in consumer goods-alternatives, replacement, reformulation and disclosures in labeling.

- New **FREE SAMPLE-FULL** October Issue of our Newsletter AVAILABLE NOW.
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Our Furnishings Regulatory Newsletter is distributed every month covering all laws and regulations and is available by subscription only and is 15 to 20 pages of vital information and may be included with our consulting services.

We consult with Manufacturers, Distributors, Importers, Retailers and Suppliers on the required documentation to be compliant, safe, educated and protected from lawsuits, penalties, fines, recalls and any other issues which interrupt their normal business activities.

Our mission is to "KEEP YOUR COMPANY AHEAD OF THE LAWS & REGULATIONS" and answer any inquiries or questions from regulatory authorities with full compliance.

Please contact us for a confidential discussion of our consulting services and the limited costs to keep your company safe and compliant.

Best regards,

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