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# Amendment to California Proposition 65 Warning Methods Approved



As mentioned in our <u>Safeguard (SG 177/24)</u>, the California Office of Administrative Law (OAL) approved proposed amendments by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to its safe harbour warning methods. The <u>approved amendment</u> will revise various sections of the warning methods under Article 6 to Chapter 1 of Division 4 of Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations.

The most significant change relates to the information displayed on the short-form warning label. Following the amendment, at least one chemical must be listed for both the long-form and short-form warning labels. The OEHHA introduced this update to make short-form warning labels more informative to consumers.

The amendment will become effective January 1, 2025 and the updated short-form warning content will become mandatory on January 1, 2028, providing a transition period of three years.

Products labelled with existing short-form warnings during the transition period may continue to be sold indefinitely without needing re-labelling, reducing disruption to existing inventory. Companies doing business in California, USA, need to be aware of and comply with such updates.

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Amendments to California Proposition 65, Article 6 Clear and Reasonable Warnings, Sub-Article 2 Safe Harbour Methods and Content

EXPOSURE ENDPOINT(S)	MODIFIED WARNING CONTENT FOR SHORT-TERM WARNINGS
For exposures to listed carcinogens	WARNING: Cancer risk from exposure to [name of chemical]. See www.P65Warnings.ca.gov; or
	WARNING: Can expose you to [name of chemical], a carcinogen. See www.P65Warnings.ca.gov
For exposures to listed reproductive toxicants	WARNING: Risk of reproductive harm from exposure to [name of chemical]. See www.P65Warnings.ca.gov; or
	WARNING: Can expose you to [name of chemical], a reproductive toxicant. See www.P65Warnings.ca.gov
For exposures to both listed carcinogens and reproductive toxicants	<b>WARNING:</b> Risk of cancer from exposure to [name of chemical] and reproductive harm from exposure to [name of chemical]. See <a href="www.P65Warnings.ca.gov">www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</a> ; or
	<b>WARNING:</b> Can expose you to [name of chemical], a carcinogen, and [name of chemical], a reproductive toxicant. See <a href="www.P65Warnings.ca.gov">www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</a>
For exposures to a chemical that is listed as both a carcinogen and a reproductive toxicant	<b>WARNING:</b> Risk of cancer and reproductive harm from exposure to [name of chemical]. See <a href="https://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov">www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</a> ; or
	<b>WARNING:</b> Can expose you to [name of chemical], a carcinogen and reproductive toxicant. See <a href="https://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov">www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</a>

#### How can SGS help?

Our California Proposition 65 services offer your organization analytical testing and consultancy services to evaluate your products for composition and to recommend a pathway to Prop 65 compliance. Through our Prop 65 evaluation screening program, we:

- · Check your merchandise for high-risk chemicals before it leaves the distribution center for the California market
- · Provide you with real-time results on your final product, so you can avoid distribution delays
- Keep you informed of the latest changes to Proposition 65 and update you on what you need to do to remain compliant

SGS' California Proposition 65 (Prop 65) services offer your organization analytical testing and consultancy services to evaluate your products for composition and to recommend a pathway to compliance.

For enquiries, please contact our <u>Customer Service team</u> for details!

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