



## Massachusetts proposes to restrict the use of bisphenol-A and phthalates

The State of Massachusetts of the US has proposed an Act relative to Toy Safety for the Protection of Children to restrict the use of bisphenol-A and phthalates in toys and child care articles.

### Extracts:

1. Commencing January 1, 2008, no person or entity shall manufacture, sell or distribute in commerce any toy or child care article in Massachusetts that contains bisphenol-A.
2. Commencing January 1, 2008, no person or entity shall manufacture, sell, or distribute in commerce any toy or child care article in Massachusetts that contains the following phthalates: DEHP, DBP, or BBP in concentrations exceeding 0.1 percent. Additionally, child care article containing DINP, DIDP, or DNOP in concentrations exceeding 0.1 percent shall be prohibited.

### Notes:

- **“Toy”** means all products designed or intended by the manufacturer to be used by children when they play.
- **“Child care article”** means all products designed or intended by the manufacturer to facilitate sleep, relaxation, or the feeding of children under the age of three or to help children under the age of three with sucking or teething.

### The Solution:

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