



New York State Approves Act Prohibiting the Sale of Unsafe Cribs

The Governor of New York State has signed two bills (A09223 & S06356) into law on 31 July, 2010, to prohibit the import, manufacture, distribution and sale of drop -side and other unsafe cribs in New York State. The act shall go into effect on the 90th day.

The Challenge:

Any cribs that does not meet the current ASTM International crib standards or applicable standards contained in Title 16 of the Codes of Federal Regulations (CFR) are defined as unsafe cribs. No person shall import, manufacture or distribute an unsafe crib; and no retailer shall sell, lease or make available an unsafe crib.

Notes:

"Unsafe Crib" means any cribs that does not conform to the following standards endorsed or established by the Federal Consumer Product Safety Commission including, but not limited to, Title 16 of the Codes of Federal Regulations and the following standards endorsed or established by ASTM:

- a) 16 CFR 1508 and any regulations adopted to amend or supplement such part;
- b) 16 CFR 1509 and any regulations adopted to amend or supplement such part;
- c) 16 CFR 1303 and any regulations adopted to amend or supplement such part;
- d) ASTM standards & specifications adopted to amend or supplement such standards.
 - ASTM F 966 (Corner post standard);
 - ASTM F 1169 (Structural integrity of full-size baby cribs); and
 - ASTM F 406 (Non full-size baby cribs).

The Solution:

Intertek offers juvenile product testing services according to different standards of more than 30 countries covering over 10 categories of products including cribs, cradles, bassinets, carriages, toddler beds, walkers, high chairs, gates, enclosures, rocking chairs, etc. Intertek has also obtained accreditation from JPMA (U.S. Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association, Inc.) to carry out JPMA certification.

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