

## California proposition 65 declaration of conformity

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California Proposition 65 is a California law that has been in effect since 1986 to promote clean drinking water and keep toxic substances that cause cancer and birth defects out of consumer products. Proposition 65's formal title is "The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986." It is administered by Cal/EPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA).

The law requires that anyone at reasonable risk of exposure be informed when substances classified as toxins are present. Since enactment, it has been the reason for the addition of notices of specific contents to consumer product labels. Along with the added label requirements, an official list of implicated substances is maintained and made publicly available. For most listed Proposition 65 chemicals, OEHHA has determined "safe" levels of exposure.

EMKA is committed to providing high quality, safe products to all clients. Where there is potential chemical risk, EMKA requires manufacturers to purchase raw materials that meet or exceed California Proposition 65 standards. In addition, EMKA offers independent and certified testing services at additional cost to provide certified compliance with all federal and state requirements.

As it is neither practical nor cost effective to test every product EMKA delivers for the over 900 Proposition 65 chemicals, EMKA customers may have concerns about compliance with Proposition 65. If this is the case, we EMKA suggest including a product label on products that would be delivered to California to include the following warning:

WARNING: This product may contain chemicals known to the state of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

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A California Proposition 65 warning means that the company, issuing the warning knows that one or more listed chemicals may be present in its products. A warning must be given unless a company demonstrates that the exposure it causes poses "no significant risk."

A California Proposition 65 warning means one of two things:

(1) The company evaluated the exposure and has concluded that product exceeds the "no significant risk level"; or

(2) The company has chosen to provide a warning simply based on its knowledge or assumption about the presence of a listed chemical without testing the every product for more than 900 Cal Prop 65 chemicals and attempting to evaluate the exposure.

EMKA is committed to providing value and satisfaction in all of its products. If you have questions about product safety or concerns regarding California Proposition 65 requirements, please feel free to contact us.

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