
**Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Concentration Limits
for Certain Products Regulations
(aka Consumer Products)**

Applies to:

Persons manufacturing, importing or selling any product type included in the 98 product categories of the proposed regulations.

Product Categories Include:

(Examples only, not a complete listing)

- Personal Care Products (does not include soaps & shampoos)
- Maintenance Products (consumer cleaners, polishes & degreasers for household, automotive, laundry, carpet, etc)
- Adhesives, Adhesive Removers, Sealants & Caulks

When do the regulations take effect? *(Regulations are targeted to be finalized by January 2009)*

- Manufacturers & Importers – 1 year after regulations are finalized
- Retailers - 2 years after regulations are finalized

What do these regulations do?

Set maximum permissible limits of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) for each product category.

What is required?

- Labeling** – These regulations will require the date of manufacture to be on each label of each container.
- Record Keeping** – These regulations require manufactures, importers & sellers to keep records supporting compliance with these regulations, including results of analytical testing performed by an accredited ISO 17025:2005 laboratory for a minimum of 5 years

Exemptions

Exemptions to the proposed regulations include products:

- used in a manufacturing or processing activity *(specialized industrial cleaner products not sold at retail outlets)*
- used as a solvent in a laboratory for analysis
- to be used as a laboratory analytical standard
- manufactured or imported for export only
- used in scientific research
- products regulated under the *Pest Control Products Act*
- adhesives to be sold in containers of 0.03 litres or less

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