

CPSC General Conformity Certificates / Certificates of Conformity

Since the 1970's, the US Consumer Product Safety Commission has had in place regulations governing the safety of consumer products. In 2008, those regulations were tightened by the enactment of the Consumer Protection Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA). Among those regulations are requirements for Certificates of Conformity that are to be issued by Manufacturers or Importers of children's products, and General Conformity Certificates governing products that are subject to certain regulations enforced by the CPSC. In some cases the CPSC has issued Stays on these requirements for Certificates so that they may develop guidance for industry on how to comply.

While Gordon Sinclair products are not designed for, or intended for use by children 12 years of age and under, we do understand that some customers do want items that can be sold to a youth market. We offer a selection of products that have been evaluated, and tested by CPSC approved 3rd Party laboratories for use by children ages 8+, and provide web links to the required Certificates of Conformity on our website for those items. A list of these items can be found in the Compliance Section of our website.

A list of CPSC regulated products that may be subject to the General Conformity Certificate requirements may be found on their website at <http://www.cpsc.gov/BUSINFO/reg1.html>. When applicable, Gordon Sinclair has posted links to Certificates of Conformity on our website, on the web pages for the affected items. Contrary to popular belief, many items sold in US commerce are not subject to CPSC regulations, and would not require Certificates of Conformity. Gordon Sinclair takes all necessary steps to ensure that our products meet Federal product regulations, and require our suppliers to obtain required permits and / or approvals from appropriate US Federal agencies.

