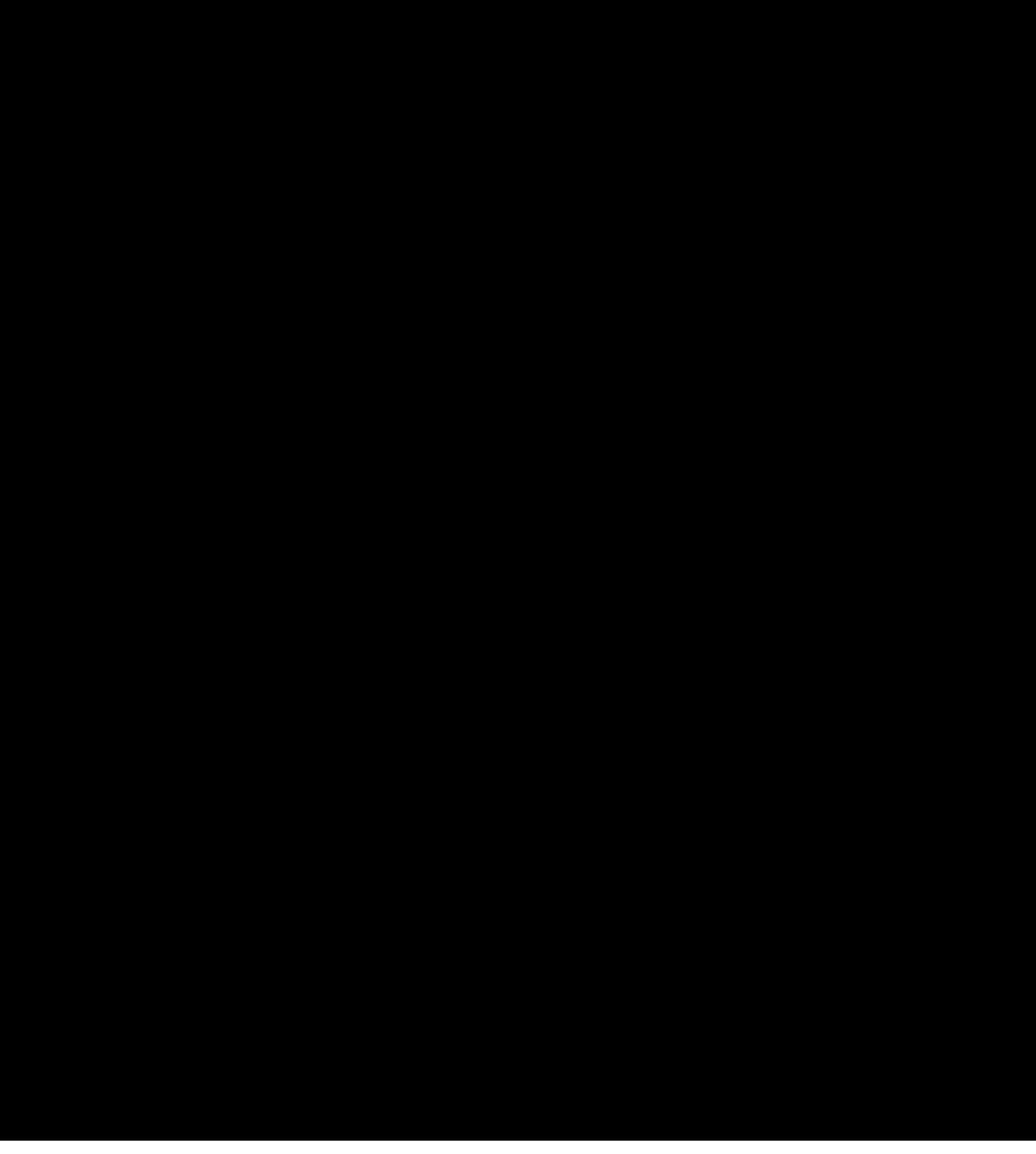
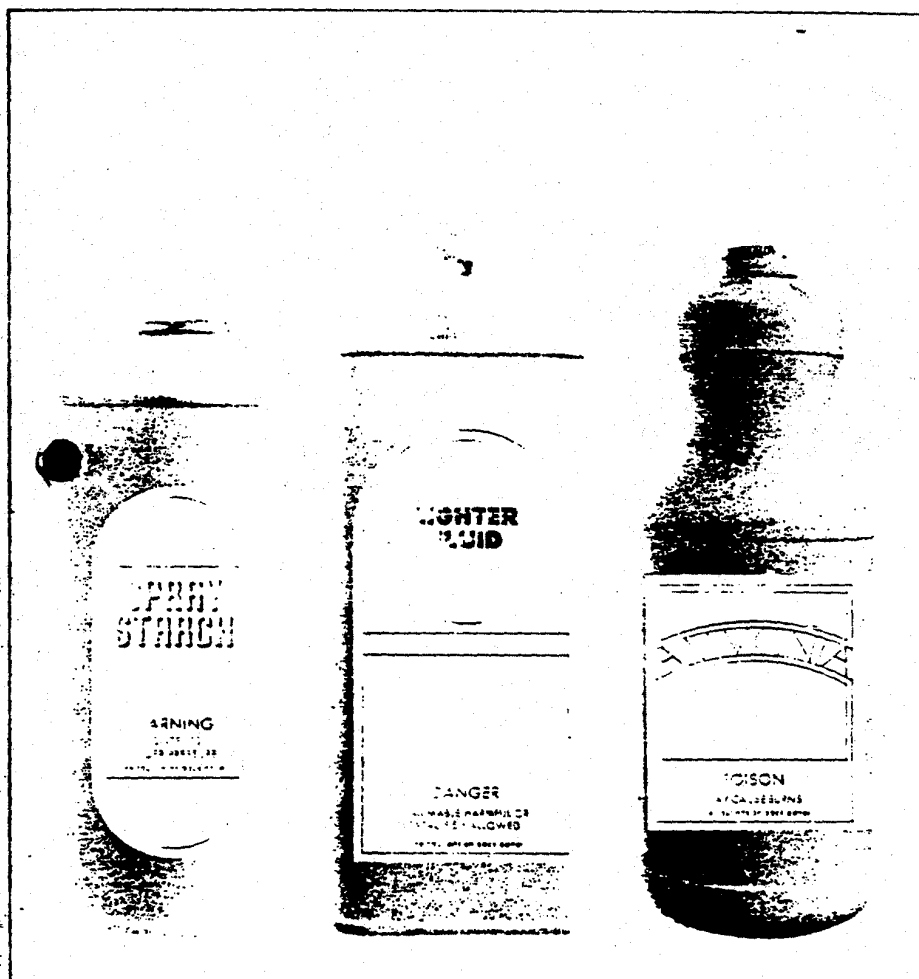




Requirements of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act



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Preface

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This publication is a digest of the rules and regulations contained in the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, and Part 191, Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations. The information and illustrative labels contained herein represent the best current opinion on the subject.

However, this publication is intended solely as a guide for the manufacturer of a product subject to the Federal Hazardous Substances Act. It must not be assumed that all necessary warnings, precautionary measures, exemptions and exceptional conditions or circumstances are contained in this booklet. Complete and official information is contained only in the Act itself, and the applicable Regulations.

The Food and Drug Administration recommends that any manufacturer of a hazardous substance seek the best available legal and technical advice in the preparation of a label. FDA will be glad to informally comment on a proposed label, following the procedure outlined in this booklet.

In the writing of this publication, certain frequently used expressions have been shortened for editorial purposes: "the Act" means the

Federal Hazardous Substances Act; "CFR" is the Code of Federal Regulations; "Regulations" for the purposes of the publication *only* refers to Part 191, Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations; "Secretary" refers to the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The authority granted to the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare for enforcement and administration of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act has been delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs.

Introduction

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THE HOUSEHOLD POISONING PROBLEM

Many household materials are harmful or poisonous if misused and may cause serious injury or even death—not only by swallowing, but by inhalation of fumes, contact with skin or mucous membranes, fire, or explosion. The very color and design of modern packaging, created for impulse buying, offers an irresistible attraction to small children, making the hazardous product an interesting—and sometimes fatal—subject for childish investigation. Compounding this situation are the many articles, which by design or intended use, cannot be packaged. Color, curiosity, and chemicals—these are the factors that make our homes virtual booby-traps for the very young, or unwary adults.

INJURIES AND FATALITIES

The Public Health Service estimates that annually 500,000 children swallow products left within reach and, as a result, about 500 die. However, such injuries and fatalities

are not confined to children and many adults are injured, and sometimes killed, in the use of household products.

Almost 90 percent of all poisonings occur in the home. Part of the public health problem comes from the fact that many household hazardous substances are new and unfamiliar products, and the consumer or user is not aware of the inherent danger.

Many preparations bear neither adequate warnings to prevent accidental misuse nor information necessary to assure safe use and storage. Often there is no information about potentially harmful ingredients on the label and no instructions for first-aid treatment. Thus, a doctor might have to call the nearest Poison Control Center or the manufacturer for information about an antidote. Meanwhile, time is lost—perhaps the time in which a life could be saved.

The most practical way to provide users and physicians with the information they need for safe use or first-aid treatment is the label.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Congress recognized this problem in 1927 with the passage of the Federal Caustic Poison Act. At that time there were only 12 caustic and corrosive substances covered by the Act. After World War Two a multitude of household chemical products became available in hardware, drug, grocery, and variety stores, as well as in specialty outlets such as paint stores, hobby shops, auto supply stores, etc.

Realizing that the Federal Caustic Poison Act was no longer adequate for public health protection, Congress enacted and the President signed, on July 12, 1960, the Federal Hazardous Substances Labeling Act. The Federal Caustic Poison Act was repealed, except as it applied to any food, drug, or cosmetic.

FHSLA required labels to carry the precautionary warnings and measures necessary for safe use and storage, as well as the information needed for appropriate first-aid or by physicians to treat cases of accidental injury.

But as the Food and Drug Administration gained enforcement experience with this law, it became evident that several loopholes needed closing. For example, as written in 1960, the law required that all household-sized containers of potentially dangerous substances be conspicuously labeled to warn the user of the danger and to provide necessary safety information.

Thus, there was no jurisdiction over hazardous household articles unless they were distributed in a container. The law was, in effect, just what the name implied—a labeling law.

Also, there was no effective way of dealing with products that were so

hazardous that they were unsafe for household use, regardless of cautionary labeling.

To correct these and other shortcomings, Congress passed and the President signed, on November 3, 1966, the Child Protection Act of 1966. This Act amended the Federal Hazardous Substances (Labeling) Act to provide:

- For inclusion of all hazardous substances, regardless of their wrappings, under the safeguards of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act;
- A ban from interstate commerce for those household substances that are so hazardous that warning labels are not adequate safeguards;
- A ban on the sale of toys and other children's articles containing hazardous substances, regardless of their packaging.

One of the most significant changes was reflected by the deletion of the word "Labeling" from the title, as the Federal Hazardous Substances Act provides for consumer protection beyond that which can be realized through labeling.

Scope and Definitions

COVERAGE OF THE ACT

The Act now applies to any hazardous substance intended or packaged in a form suitable for use in the household or by children, which is introduced into interstate commerce or held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce. Regulations define hazardous substances intended or packaged in a form suitable for use in the household as those which might be brought into any place where people dwell, or in or around a building such as a garage, carport, barn, or storage shed. The test is whether it is reasonably foreseeable that the container would be found in or around a dwelling and thereby expose persons to the particular hazards of the substance.

The definition excludes articles brought into a home by a repair man and industrial articles which may be misappropriated for a worker's home use.

Bulk shippers of products such as kerosene, paint thinners, turpentine, etc., customarily dispensed at retail in containers

suitable for household use may wish to label the bulk container with information required on the retail container. This may remind the retailer of his responsibility and aid him in the preparation of proper labels, and bulk shippers may wish to supply the appropriate labels.

WHAT IS A BANNED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE?

The term "banned hazardous substance" was an addition to the language of the Hazardous Substances Act by virtue of the 1966 amendments. As revised, the law gives the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare authority to classify as a "banned hazardous substance" any hazardous substance found to be too dangerous for use

in or around a household regardless of its labeling, and ban such substance from interstate commerce.

The ruling is based on a finding that regardless of labeling, the hazard involved in the use of the article in or around the household is so great that the public health and safety can be adequately served only by keeping the substance out of the channels of interstate commerce.

6 Before an article can be placed in this category, the Secretary must publish his finding in the *Federal Register* where it is subject to comments and objections. Where the statutory requirements have been fulfilled, a public hearing may take place. The law also provides procedures for review by a U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. If the delay caused by these procedures would involve an imminent hazard to the public health, the Secretary is authorized to suspend the article from the market immediately, pending completion of hearings and judicial review.

In addition, any toy or other article intended for use by children that is a hazardous substance or bears or contains a hazardous substance within the meaning of section 2 (f) (1) of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, or section 191.1, Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, is classified as a "banned hazardous substance," unless specifically exempted.

Toys or articles for children which may be exempted are those which by reason of their functional purpose require the presence of the hazardous substance, and which bear appropriate warnings and are intended for children old enough to read and heed the warnings.

WHAT IS A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE?

A "hazardous substance" is defined as a substance or mixture of substances which is toxic, corrosive, an irritant, flammable, or which generates pressure through heat, decomposition, or other means; or which has been designated by the Secretary as a strong sensitizer, or a radioactive material subject to the Act; and which "may cause substantial personal injury or substantial illness during or as a proximate result of any reasonably foreseeable handling or use, including reasonably foreseeable ingestion by children."

TOXIC AND HIGHLY TOXIC SUBSTANCES

A "toxic substance" is defined in the Act as "any substance (other

than a radioactive substance) which has the capacity to produce personal injury or illness to man through ingestion, inhalation, or absorption through any body surface."

A substance is classified "highly toxic" if a single oral dose of 50 milligrams or less per kilogram of body weight would kill half or more of the white rats to which it is fed. However, human beings may be more susceptible to a particular substance than test animals.

Whenever there is reliable data available about any substance which indicates that a product is in fact "highly toxic," "toxic," "corrosive," or an "irritant" to humans, the human data shall take precedence over animal data.

If the Secretary finds the required label warnings specified in the Act are not adequate for the protection of the public health and safety in view of a special hazard presented by any particular hazardous substance, variations or additional label requirements may be established for that particular substance.

Section 191.7 and 191.109, Title 21, CFR, contains a current list of such particular hazardous substances and the additional or special label warnings required for these substances.

OTHER DEFINITIONS

The Act and Part 191, Title 21, CFR, contain definitions for both "flammable" and "extremely flammable" substances in terms of standard testing procedures. Flammable solids and flammable contents of self-pressurized containers are also defined by the Regulations.

The other categories of hazardous

substances, while defined in general terms in the Act, are specifically explained in Section 191.1 of the Regulations.

The Regulations also define the terms "substantial personal injury or illness," "proximate result," and "reasonable foreseeable handling and use". The intent of the three phrases is to assure protection not only to the purchaser or intended user of the product, but also all others in the household, especially children. A high percentage of children are prone to swallow or tamper with household aids left within their reach.

Specific Exemptions

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The Act does not apply to economic poisons subject to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; foods, drugs, and cosmetics subject to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; and source materials, special nuclear material, or by-product material as defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954.

Substances intended for use as fuels when stored in containers and used in the heating, cooking, or refrigeration systems of a house are also excluded. This exemption applies only to containers which are intended to be or are permanently installed as part of the heating, cooking, or refrigeration systems of a house. Portable containers of such materials are not exempted and must bear appropriate cautionary labeling.

The Act authorizes the Secretary to issue regulations to exempt specific substances from full label compliance, where, because of the size of the package or the minor degree of hazard presented, public health protection does not require full compliance. Any manufacturer may request such an

exemption, if he believes he is entitled to it, by submitting a request to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs. Such requests should be supported by any available data, including complete quantitative formula and physical characteristics, and summaries of any previous experience in marketing the product or closely related products.

As explained in a previous paragraph, the Act also provides for exemption from classification as a "banned hazardous substance" of certain toys and other articles intended for use by children, under certain conditions.

Section 191.62 gives the procedures for requesting an exemption. Sections 191.63 and 191.65 list exemptions that have been granted.

Labeling

SPECIFIC LABEL INFORMATION REQUIRED

The label of a hazardous substance must bear the following information:

1. The name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer, distributor, or seller.
2. The common or usual name or the chemical name (if there is no common or usual name) of each component that contributes substantially to its hazard, unless the Secretary by regulation permits or requires the use of a recognized generic name. (When the sole hazard from a substance in a self-pressurized container is that it generates pressure, or when the sole hazard from a substance is that it is flammable or extremely flammable, the name of the component which contributes the hazard need not be named.)
3. The signal word "DANGER" on substances which are extremely flammable, corrosive, or highly toxic.
4. The signal word "WARNING" or "CAUTION" on all other hazardous substances.
5. An affirmative statement of the principal hazard or hazards, such as "FLAMMABLE," "VAPOR HARMFUL," "CAUSES BURNS," "HARMFUL OR FATAL IF SWALLOWED," or similar wording to describe the hazard.
6. Precautionary measures describing the action to be followed or avoided, except when this requirement is modified by regulation.
7. Instruction, when necessary or appropriate, for first-aid treatment. (This may need to be supplemented with the statement: "Call a physician immediately.")
8. The word "POISON" and the skull and crossbones symbol for any highly toxic substance, or when required by the Regulations for a special hazardous substance (section 191.7(b)).
9. The word "POISON" for all substances formerly subject to the Caustic Poison Act and so designated by the Regulations (section 191.109).

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10. Instructions for handling and storage of packages requiring special care in handling or storage.

11. The statement "Keep Out of Reach of Children" or its practical equivalent, or, if the article is intended for use by children and is not a banned hazardous substance, adequate directions for the protection of children from the hazardous substance therein.

This information must be located prominently on the label. It must be in the English language, and in conspicuous and legible type in contrast with other printed matter on the label, by typography, layout, or color.

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As amended by the Child Protection Act of 1966, section 2(n) of the Act defines the term "label" as meaning "a display of written, printed, or graphic matter upon the immediate container of any substance or, in the case of an article which is unpackaged or is not packaged in an immediate container intended or suitable for delivery to the ultimate consumer, a display of such matter directly upon the article involved or upon a tag or other suitable material affixed thereto."

Section 191.101 specifies also that size, placement, and conspicuousness of the required cautionary information appearing on or attached to unpackaged hazardous articles shall be the same as for packaged articles.

When any accompanying literature (placard, pamphlet, booklet, book, sign, or other written printed, or graphic matter, or visual device) includes or bears any directions for use, it shall also bear all the cautionary information required by the Act.

In addition, all the information

required on the immediate container is required also on the outside container or wrapper unless the immediate container label is easily legible through the outside container or wrapper.

PREPARATION OF WARNING LABELS

In preparing the labels, the compilation of all available relevant information on the product is a necessary first step. An adequate knowledge of the toxicity of the material (obtained through laboratory tests or literature) and data on physical and chemical properties, human experience, packaging, and methods of handling and use of the product are also needed to prepare a description of the hazards. Tests should be made on the product itself as it will reach the consumer.

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Section 191.101 of the Regulations spells out requirements for location of the warning and other protective information, size and style of type for the various required statements, and other details of label design, contrast, etc.

ARRANGEMENT OF REQUIRED INFORMATION

To comply with the Regulations, certain required information must appear on the main panel (normally the front panel) of the label, and within the borders of a rectangle, with or without a borderline, in the type size, and style specified below:

1. Signal words (DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION) must appear on the main panel in capital letters, and shall be of a size bearing a reasonable relationship to the other type on the main panel, but shall not be less than 18-point type unless the label space on the container is too small to accommodate such type size. In no event shall the size be smaller than 6-point type.
2. The skull and crossbones symbol must be included in conjunction with the word "POISON" on the label of "highly toxic" substances as well as on the label of products containing 4% by weight or more of methyl alcohol, 5% by weight or more of benzene, or carbon tetrachloride in any amount. This information need not appear on the main panel. The word "POISON" is required for the caustic poison substances named in Section 191.109 and should appear in this case on the main panel, because it serves as the signal word.
3. The required prominence shall be achieved by placement within the borders of a square or

rectangle with or without a borderline and by use of suitable contrast with the background by typography or color or both to emphasize the signal word, the statement of principal hazard or hazards, and instructions to read carefully other cautions placed elsewhere on the label.

4. Statement of principal hazard or hazards (such as "VAPOR HARMFUL," "FLAMMABLE," "CAUSES BURNS," etc.) shall appear on the main panel in capital letters of not less than 12-point type, unless there is insufficient label space to accommodate that size type. In such event the type size may be made smaller but no smaller than necessary and never less than 6-point type.

5. The balance of the required cautionary information may appear on the back or side panel of the label provided the main panel bears an additional statement, such as "Read carefully other cautions on _____ panel." This and all other required information shall bear a reasonable relationship to other graphic material on the panel involved and shall be no smaller than 10-point type unless there is insufficient label space to accommodate that size type. In such event, the type size may be made smaller but no smaller than 6-point type unless an exemption has been granted.

6. For articles not sold in packaged form, the necessary warnings may appear on the article itself, or, if this is not possible, the warnings must be placed on a sticker or tag securely fastened to the article. The tag or

sticker must be attached securely enough to carry through distribution and merchandising to the ultimate purchaser or user.

STATEMENT OF HAZARDS

There are many products which present more than one type of hazard, in which case appropriate statements of each must be included in the label. The following are examples, but there are numerous descriptive phrases which can be used:

MAY BE FATAL IF SWALLOWED
EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE
CAUSES BURNS
VAPOR HARMFUL
HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED
CONTENTS UNDER PRESSURE

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STATEMENT OF PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

A statement of precautionary measures is intended to supplement the statement of hazards by setting forth briefly measures to be taken to avoid injury or damage from the stated hazards.

Examples are:

Avoid contact with eyes and prolonged contact with skin
Avoid breathing dust (or vapors)
Do not take internally
Use only in a well ventilated area

CONDENSATION OF LABEL INFORMATION

Statements such as "Do not take internally" may not be necessary where the precautionary measure to be followed is obvious (for example, when a product is labeled "POISON" or the statement of hazards contains the words "MAY BE FATAL IF SWALLOWED"). However, the instruction may be desirable if the name, appearance, use, or other

characteristics of the article are likely to result in its being taken orally through accident or mistaken identity.

FIRST-AID INSTRUCTIONS IN CASE OF INGESTION, CONTACT, OR OTHER EXPOSURE

While the primary purpose of a warning label is to prevent personal injury or damage, instructions to be followed in case of accidental contact or exposure are required where the results may be injurious, where immediate treatment is highly desirable, and where simple remedial measures may be taken safely by nonprofessional persons before medical assistance is available.

Instructions should be given in terms of recognized first-aid procedures based on simple methods and commonly available materials. Competent medical advice must be sought in preparing first-aid instruc-

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tions. In many cases the statement "Call a Physician Immediately" should be included.

HANDLING AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

The requirement for handling and storage instructions, if needed, on the label reduces the hazards inherent in certain products. The following are examples:

- Keep away from heat and open flame
- Keep container closed when not in use
- Do not allow water to get into container
- To prevent accidents, rinse empty container before discarding.
- (For pressurized containers) Do not puncture or incinerate can. Do not expose to heat or store at temperatures above 120 degrees Fahrenheit

EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE LABEL STATEMENTS

The following are examples of wording which the Food and Drug Administration has accepted as meeting the requirements of the Act for particular products, where arrangement, type size and style, and degree of conspicuousness are met. These illustrations are reproduced only for information and general guidelines, and not as approved labels for specific products.

Any manufacturer may obtain FDA comment on a proposed label or labels (or representative labels, where many different products are involved) by writing to the Food and Drug Administration. The manufacturer should furnish:

- (1) complete labeling or proposed labeling, which may be in draft form;
- (2) complete quantitative formula, in exact chemical

nomenclature rather than trade names;

(3) adequate clinical, pharmacological, toxicological, physical and chemical data, and other relevant information such as complaints of injuries resulting from the product's use, or other evidence that would furnish human experience data.

The Food and Drug Administration cannot conduct toxicity studies for the purpose of advising manufacturers whether proposed labels are satisfactory. Responsibility for accumulating whatever information is needed in deciding whether a label complies with the law rests with the sponsor of the article.

In 1966, Congress enacted the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (FPLA) giving the Federal Trade Commission responsibility for regulating certain labeling and packaging practices for various consumer commodities other than foods, drugs, cosmetics and devices. Since many consumer commodities classified as hazardous substances will come within the Federal Trade Commission's jurisdiction under FPLA, before having new labels printed you may wish to consult with that agency regarding the adequacy of your labels under that relatively recent law.

Enforcement Procedures and Penalties

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The Act places in the hands of the manufacturer, packer, or distributor, the responsibility for marketing a properly labeled and otherwise legal article. The Food and Drug Administration is always glad to assist a firm or group in achieving voluntary compliance. However, regulatory and enforcement procedures are provided in the law, if needed.

The Act authorizes FDA inspectors to inspect factories, warehouses, and other establishments, where products subject to the Federal Hazardous Substances Act are manufactured, processed, packed, or held for, or after, introduction into interstate commerce, and vehicles used for interstate transportation. The inspectors may inspect, at reasonable times and within reasonable limits and in a reasonable manner, the establishment or vehicle and all pertinent equipment, finished and unfinished materials, and labeling; and may obtain packaged and unpackaged products, subject to the Act, and labeling.

The inspector will furnish the owner, operator, or agent in charge, with a written notice at the

beginning of the inspection, and if he takes samples during the inspection, he will give a receipt for them. If an analysis is made of any sample taken during an inspection, a copy of the results of the analysis will be furnished to the owner, operator, or agent in charge.

Inspectors may also collect samples of products from warehouses or stores or at any point in interstate commerce.

Prohibited acts under the Federal Hazardous Substances Act are listed in section (4) of the Act. They include (but this list is not inclusive):

- (1) Introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of any misbranded hazardous substance or banned hazardous substance;
- (2) alteration, mutilation, or other change to the label of or the substance itself, while the

article is in interstate commerce or held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce, that re-

- (1) the hazardous substance being a misbranded hazardous substance or banned hazardous substance;
- (3) failure to permit factory inspection as authorized, or sample collection, or copying of any record as authorized;
- (4) the giving of a false guarantee;
- (5) introduction or delivery for introduction into, or receipt in, interstate commerce of a hazardous substance in a reused food, drug, or cosmetic container, which reuse results in the hazardous substance being a misbranded hazardous substance.

If evidence of a violation is found during an inspection, or as a result of examination of any sample, the following actions may result:

Seizure of the violative shipment;
Criminal prosecution; or,
Injunction.

SEIZURE OF VIOLATIVE SHIPMENT

If a shipment is seized, the owner or his agent would have three choices:

- (1) He may deny the violation as charged and the case may be contested on its merits in a Federal court.
- (2) He may admit the violation and ask the court for permission to post bond and relabel the product to comply with the law. The product is then released for relabeling under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. After the relabeling is satisfactorily completed and the supervisory costs

paid, the product will be released and the bond money returned.

- (3) He may do nothing. In this case, the product will be condemned by default and destroyed, or otherwise disposed of as determined by the court.

CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

In the event of *criminal prosecution*, whether a violative product is seized or not, the person (*) who ships it in interstate commerce, or who commits or causes to be committed any of the other prohibited acts, may be subject to trial in a Federal court. If prosecution is instituted and the defendant pleads guilty, or is found guilty after trial, he may be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both, for each separate offense. For offenses committed with intent to defraud or mislead—or for second and subsequent offenses, the penalty may be imprisonment for not more than one year, or a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both.

INJUNCTION

Injunction proceedings to restrain him from the commission of further violations also may be instituted against any person who is found shipping a violative product in interstate commerce, or committing or causing to be committed any of the other prohibited acts.

(*) "Person" is defined in the Act as including an individual, partnership, corporation, and association.

Where an injunction is entered, the failure of the person enjoined to comply with the terms of the injunction may subject him to criminal contempt proceedings.

Further Information and Source Material

July-August and December-January issues. Subscriptions may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at \$5.50 a year.

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MAILING LIST

Manufacturers of products subject to the Act, and others with an interest in hazardous substances, are invited to submit a request for placement on the Federal Hazardous Substances Act mailing list.

Those on the list receive, free of charge, reprints of amendments to Part 191, Title 21, CFR, in looseleaf form. In addition, reprints of policy statements, press releases, and other publications, to help manufacturers and others in their voluntary compliance program, are furnished. Address your request to:

Distribution and Mailing Unit
(CA-217)

Food and Drug Administration
Washington, D.C. 20204

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OFFICIAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION PUBLICATIONS

Single copies of the publications listed below are available at no charge from the Food and Drug Administration, Washington, D.C. 20204, and at FDA district offices.

- Hazardous Substances Regulations (Part 191, Title 21, CFR) (in looseleaf form; bound copies available from GPO)
- Petroleum Products and the Law—FDA Publication No. 17

The publications listed below may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

Federal Hazardous Substances Act
Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act

General Regulations for Enforcement of the FDC Act
FDA Pub. No. 2 *Requirements of the FDC Act*

The *Federal Register* publishes the rules and regulations of the various departments of the Federal Government, including the amendments to Part 191, Title 21, CFR. As noted under a previous section ("Mailing List"), FDA issues free reprints of these amendments; however, those wishing immediate notification of new or amended regulations should subscribe to the *Federal Register* since duplication of the reprints requires additional time. Subscriptions at \$15 per year should be placed with the Superintendent of Documents.

INFORMATION FROM OTHER U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

For additional information concerning other Federal laws and regulations affecting hazardous products, write to the following agencies (all are Washington, D.C.):

- *United States Department of Agriculture*
Agricultural Research Service
Pesticide Regulation Division (for Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act)
Washington, D.C. 20250
- *Department of Transportation*
Hazardous Materials Regulations Board (for regulations for the shipment and transportation of hazardous materials)
Washington, D.C. 20553
Regulations for the Transportation of Explosives and Other Dangerous Articles (Title 49, CFR, Parts 171-191)
- *Federal Aviation Agency*
Flight Standards Service
Attn: F.S. 400 (for Regulations for the Transportation of Dangerous Articles and Magnetized Materials (Title 14, CFR, Part 103)
Washington, D.C. 20553
- *Atomic Energy Commission*
Attn: Division of Materials Licensing (for Standards for Protection Against Radiation, Licensing of Byproduct Material, Licensing of Source Material, Special Nuclear Material, Regulations to Protect Against Accidental Conditions of Criticality in the Shipment of Special Nuclear Material; all are Title 10, CFR)
Washington, D.C. 20545
- *Post Office Department*
Bureau of Operations
Classification & Special Services Division
Washington, D.C. 20260

- *Federal Trade Commission*
Bureau of Deceptive Practices (for Flammable Fabrics Act, Fair Packaging and Labeling Act, and the Federal Trade Commission Act.)
Washington, D.C. 20580

INFORMATION FROM NON-FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

A number of States and cities have enacted laws governing the labeling of hazardous substances within their jurisdiction. Interested persons may write to the appropriate State agencies for information concerning these laws.

It should be noted, however, that under the amendments to the Federal Hazardous Substances Act by the Child Protection Act of 1966, Congress pre-empted all laws of the States and political subdivisions relating to precautionary labeling of substances or articles intended or suitable for household use. In effect then all labeling requirements are uniform throughout the 50 States, insofar as meeting the minimum requirements of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act. Any State, or political subdivision, could impose additional requirements; i.e., a State could, at its discretion, ban the sale of a product which would not be banned under the Federal Hazardous Substances Act if properly labeled.

STATE	ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
California	Bureau of Food and Drug Inspection State Department of Public Health 2151 Berkeley Way Berkeley, California 94704
Colorado	Division of Sanitation State Department of Public Health 4210 East 11th Avenue Denver, Colorado 80220
Connecticut	State Department of Consumer Protection State Office Building 165 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06115
Illinois	Bureau of Hazardous Substances and Poison Control Division of Preventive Medicine State Department of Public Health State Office Building Springfield, Illinois 62706
Indiana	Registration and Licensing Section Division of Food and Drugs Indiana State Board of Health 1330 W. Michigan Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46207
Kansas	Food and Drug Division State Board of Health State Office Building Topeka, Kansas 66612
Kentucky	Food and Drug Program Division of Environmental Health 273 East Main Street Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
Maine	Division of Consumer Protection State Department of Agriculture State House Augusta, Maine 04330
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