



First and foremost, please rest assured that Macmillan will fully comply with the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (“CPSIA”). Due to the volume of inquiries we have been receiving about the CPSIA and our inability to process each inquiry on an individual basis, we have created this information sheet to address some general concerns.

What products are regulated under the CPSIA?

- The CPSIA regulates “Children’s Product”—which is defined as a consumer product designed or intended primarily for children 12 and under. The key here is that the title must be intended **primarily** for children 12 and under. Just because a 12 year old might read a particular book, does not make it a “Children’s Product.”

Is Macmillan required to test ordinary children’s books for compliance with the lead and phthalates limitations and certify as to such compliance?

- No. The enforcement of the testing and certification requirements for ordinary books has been stayed until February 10, 2010. Accordingly, we are not required to test or provide any certifications with respect to ordinary children’s books (i.e. paper/board books with no toy or toy-like components). However, we assure you that any ordinary children’s books you receive from us after February 10, 2009 will be in compliance with the lead in substrate limitation. We are also confident that based on our sample testing of our existing inventory and voluminous industry data, the ordinary books you have purchased from us and still in your inventory are well below the lead in substrate limitations.
- Please note that the lead in paint and phthalates limitations do not apply to ordinary children’s books.

Is Macmillan required to test children’s novelty books (i.e. books with toys or toy-like components) for compliance with the lead and phthalates limitations and certify to such compliance?

- Novelty books manufactured after December 21, 2008 will need to be tested by a third party accredited lab for lead in paint and any shipments of novelty books after February 10, 2009 will need to be accompanied by a General Conformity Certificate (“GCC”). Due to the recent CPSC rule, testing and certification with respect to the lead in substrate and phthalates limitation is not required until at least **February 10, 2010**. However, Macmillan has been testing all novelty books since December 21, 2008 (and will continue to test) to the August 14th standards for lead in paint, lead in substrate and phthalates limitations under the CPSIA. All shipments you receive after February 10, 2009 will include on the invoice, a link, searchable by ISBN, for any applicable GCC with respect to novelty books included in the shipment.
- Customers can access applicable GCCs from www.macmillancompliance.com

Will Macmillan provide testing reports with respect to Children’s Products acquired prior to the effective date of the CPSIA?

- Unfortunately, we cannot provide what we do not have. All of our titles were fully in compliance with all applicable laws at the time of manufacture and at the time of sale but have not been tested (nor are they required to be tested) for compliance with requirements that did not exist at the time of manufacture and sale. Testing reports for any titles manufactured after the applicable manufacturing dates will be available upon request as required by law but please note that you are not required to obtain such test reports and may rely solely on the associated GCC.