

PFAS Restriction and Reporting Requirements

Dozens of states have implemented or are preparing to implement laws that restrict the manufacture, sale and/or distribution of products containing intentionally added **per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances** (PFAS).

PFAS, also known as **forever chemicals**, are persistent human-made chemicals commonly added to products, such as protective gear, paints and lubricants to provide heat, water, grease and stain resistance.

Examples of products that **commonly contain PFAS** include insulated wire, floor wax, cleaning products and fire-retardant materials.

State-level regulatory efforts focus on **reducing intentionally added PFAS** in products when its use is considered avoidable.

Many state regulations are effective taking a phased approach; laws may include product bans, registration in state databases or labeling products that contain intentionally added PFAS. More products will be banned within the next 10 years.

To support chemical compliance requirements, Border States is **actively requesting manufacturer responses** regarding compliance or noncompliance with relevant PFAS frameworks, including disclosure of all products that contain intentionally added PFAS at any trace level and registration and labeling status.

Customers may see this label indicating a product contains intentionally added PFAS. There is **no required action for Border States customers at this time**.

Additional information about PFAS is available in the Penn State Extension article, [Understanding PFAS - What They Are, Their Impact, and What We Can Do](#). And individual state rules can be found on state-managed government websites.



Key takeaways

PFAS reporting compliance is a priority for Border States. We will gather the information needed to properly identify and manage the sale and distribution of products containing intentionally added PFAS.

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