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The Ohio Art Company Toy Safety Statement

The Ohio Art Company has and will continue to be proactive in our commitment to Toy Product Safety. Our comprehensive Toy Safety Testing Processes include, testing throughout the product development cycle, product Risk Assessments, testing during the manufacturing process, and repetitive testing throughout the life cycle of all products manufactured and distributed worldwide by our company. Ohio Art Products are tested to the current editions of the ASTM 963, the EN-71, and any other applicable standard required by the intended marketplace. Currently, all Ohio Art Brand Name products are assembled and / or manufactured in China. Products distributed by The Ohio Art Company are manufactured in China.

Ohio Art brand name products meet all current CPSIA ACT requirements. Our products also meet numerous retailer requirements, which in many cases are even stricter than those of the CPSC. The following test standards have been implemented to ensure compliance with the new regulations. Specialized Technology Resources Inc. (STR) conducts the tests for Ohio Art brand name products. Third party laboratories also test products distributed by The Ohio Art Company to ensure compliance, and reports from these manufacturers are available upon request.

Ohio Art Brand Name Requirements (Lead, Cadmium, and Phthalates):

- Total Lead in surface coating / wet paint: 40ppm
- Total Lead in substrate material (accessible components): 40ppm

For US Distribution only

- Total Cadmium in surface coating / substrate material (accessible components only): 40ppm

For both US & EU Distribution

- Total Cadmium in surface coating / substrate material (both accessible & inaccessible Components): 40ppm

Rationale for Cadmium Testing:

- 100ppm for both accessible & inaccessible components – EU requirements (EU Directive 91/338/EC)
- 40ppm for accessible components only – US requirements

In this case, we will pull out the most stringent parts from EU & US requirements – “accessible & inaccessible components” from EU and / or “40ppm” from US.

- Any toy or child care article intended for use by a child cannot contain more than 0.1% of di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP), or benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP). Composite testing for phthalates on Toys will not be allowed.
- Any toy or child care article intended for use by a child under three years of age and can be placed in the child's mouth cannot contain more than 0.1% of diisononyl phthalate (DINP), diisodecyl phthalate (DIDP), or di-n-octyl phthalate (DnOP). Composite testing for phthalates on Toys will not be allowed.
- Also testing for phthalate DnHP is completed.

Certain customers are now requiring an ICTI certification; therefore, The Ohio Art Company requires that manufacturers of Ohio Art products are ICTI certified, or can demonstrate that they are working towards registration. To become an approved supplier for the Ohio Art Company, a facility must complete an “on site” quality audit and / or provide a ISO 9000 certification.

Respectfully,

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