

Safer Consumer Products Program: December 2024 Update

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Safer Consumer Products (SCP) Regulatory Framework

Candidate
Chemical List

Chemicals listed as a concern by Authoritative Bodies

Priority Products Product-Chemical combinations that may cause harm

Alternatives Analysis

Manufacturer evaluation of safer alternatives

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SCP Framework Process- Candidate Chemical List

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Cal. Code Regs., Title 22, Division 4.5, Chapter 55 – Safer Consumer Products



Potential Future Candidate Chemical Listings - Microplastics



SCP Framework Process- Priority Products

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SCP is busy!

2024-Q4 SCP Timeline by DTSC Safer Consumer Products (SCP) Program



SCP Timeline as of November 2024

Product					Date	:		
Category	Project Name	Activity or Milestone	Aug 2024	Nov 2024	Feb 2025	May 2025	Aug 2025	Nov 2025
Beauty,	Cleaning Products and Beauty,	Pre-regulatory public comment period						
Personal Care, and Hygiene Products		Pre-regulatory workshop	•					
		DTSC considers public comments and updates Product-Che	T T					
		External Scientific Peer Review						
		DTSC finalizes Product-Chemical Profile						
	Cleaning and Personal Care Products	DTSC conducts screening research						
	Containing Fragrances Screening	DTSC prepares Background Document						
	Cleaning and Personal Care Products	DTSC prepares Background Document						
		DTSC releases Background Document		•				
		Public comment period						
		Public workshop						
		DTSC evaluates information						
	Hair Dyes Screening	DTSC conducts screening research						
	Hair Straightening Products Containi							
	Hair Straightening Products Salon Exposure Research	DTSC prepares Data Analysis report						
		DTSC releases Data Analysis report			•			
	Hair Straightening Products Screening							
	Leave-On Products Containing Butylparaben	DTSC prepares Product-Chemical Profile						
		DTSC releases draft Product-Chemical Profile					•	
		Pre-regulatory public comment period						
		Pre-regulatory workshop					•	
		DTSC considers public comments						
	Leave-On Products Containing Parabens Screening	DTSC prepares Background Document						
		DTSC releases Background Document		•				
		Public Comment Period						
		Public workshop		•				
		DTSC evaluates information						
	Menstrual Products Screening	DTSC prepares Background Document						
		DTSC releases Background Document			•			
		Public comment period						
		Public workshop			•			
	Nail Products Containing Methyl	DTSC drafts regulation			·			
	Methacrylate	Public Notice of Proposed Action		_				
		Public comment period						
		DTSC finalizes regulation						
			Aug 2024	Nov 2024	Feb 2025	May 2025	Aug 2025	Nov 2025



Personal Care and Cleaning Products Containing 1,4-Dioxane

- Contaminant in products from ethoxylated surfactants
- Released Draft Priority Product Profile
- Public workshop and comment period in August 2024
- Focus on manual dishwashing and shampoo products
- Initiate rulemaking early 2025





QACS in Cleaning & Personal Care Products

- Preservative/antimicrobial
- Background doc released
 December 2024
- Focus on non-FIFRA and nondrug uses
- January 2025 Workshop





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Critical Review

Quaternary Ammonium Compounds: A Chemical Class of Emerging Concern

William A. Arnold, Arlene Blum, Jennifer Branyan, Thomas A. Bruton, Courtney C. Carignan, Gino Cortopassi, Sandipan Datta, Jamie DeWitt, Anne-Cooper Doherty, Rolf U. Halden, Homero Harari, Erica M. Hartmann, Terry C. Hrubec, Shoba Iyer, Carol F. Kwiatkowski,* Jonas LaPier, Dingsheng Li, Li Li, Jorge G. Muñiz Ortiz, Amina Salamova, Ted Schettler, Ryan P. Seguin, Anna Soehl, Rebecca Sutton, Libin Xu, and Guomao Zheng



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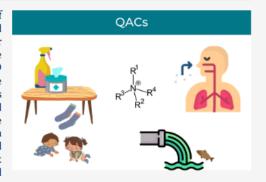
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Metrics & More



Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Quaternary ammonium compounds (QACs), a large class of chemicals that includes high production volume substances, have been used for decades as antimicrobials, preservatives, and antistatic agents and for other functions in cleaning, disinfecting, personal care products, and durable consumer goods. QAC use has accelerated in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the banning of 19 antimicrobials from several personal care products by the US Food and Drug Administration in 2016. Studies conducted before and after the onset of the pandemic indicate increased human exposure to QACs. Environmental releases of these chemicals have also increased. Emerging information on adverse environmental and human health impacts of QACs is motivating a reconsideration of the risks and benefits across the life cycle of their production, use, and disposal. This work presents a critical review of the literature and scientific perspective developed by a multidisciplinary multi institutional team of authors from academic





Laundry Detergents Containing Nonylphenol Ethoxylates

- Surfactant
- Largely commercial/industrial laundry products
- Initiated rulemaking 2023
- Regulations effective November 2024
- Received notifications for 10 products
- Compliance & enforcement next





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Regulatory Response Options

- Information for Consumers
- Use restrictions
- Sales prohibition
- Engineering or administrative controls
- End-of-Life product stewardship
- Advancement of Green Chemistry/Engineering
- No Regulatory Response



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Compliance Initiatives



Carpets & rugs containing PFASs



Leather & textile treatments containing PFASs



Priority Product Work Plan



- Released fall 2024
- https://dtsc.ca.gov/scp/priorityproduct-work-plan/





Building Products & Materials Used in Construction and Renovation



















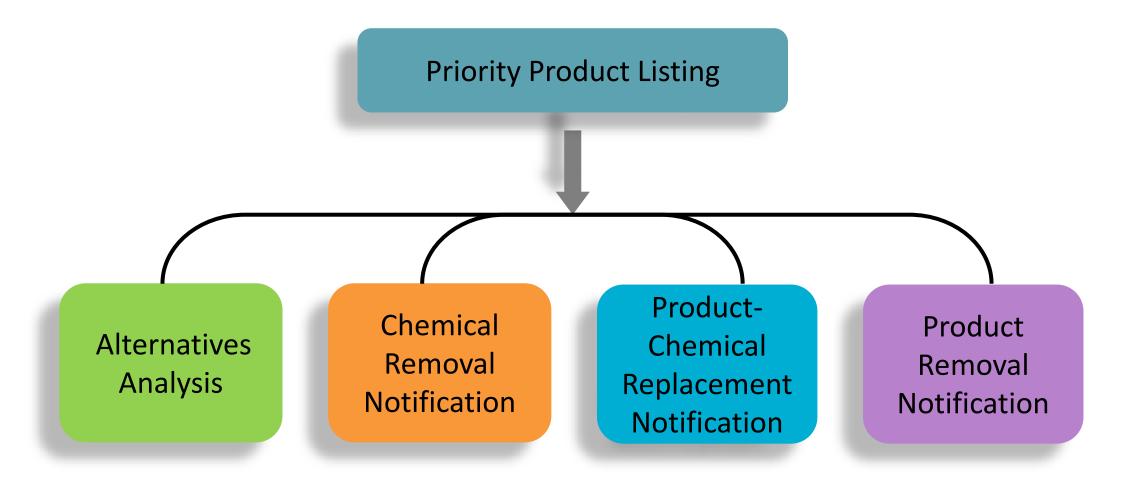
Questions? Discussion?

Thank you!

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Artificial Turf (Fibers and Backing)

- Background document reviewed numerous chemicals of concern
- Public workshop and comment period held in August 2024
- Proposed listing PFASs in Artificial Turf as a Priority Product

