

## CHEMICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EU AND NORTH AMERICAN MARKETS

### SGS JUVENILE PRODUCTS SAFETY FORUM

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#### 1 - What are the list of chemicals under PFAS?

A: California AB 652 (2021-2022 Session) was signed into law on October 5, 2021. The new law defines perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) as a class of fluorinated organic chemicals containing at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom but does not provide a specific list of (individual) PFAS. For further information on the new law and background documents (bill analysis documents), see [SafeGuardS 139/21](#) and hyperlinks therein.

Additional information on PFAS can be found in the May 2018 Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) summary report on '[Updating the OECD 2007 list of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances \(PFASs\)](#)'.

#### 2 - In what type of products can be found C9-C14 PFCAs?

A: Entry 68 to Annex XVII of regulates C<sub>9</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> PFCAs and C<sub>9</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> PFCA-related substances ([SafeGuardS 113/21](#)). The scope applies to a product, including a juvenile product, that is classified as a substance, a mixture or an article.

According to [point 1 in the preamble of Regulation \(EU\) 2021/1297](#) on C<sub>9</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> PFCAs, their salts and C<sub>9</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> PFCA-related substances, these substances mainly occur in the EU as unintended by-products during the production of perfluorinated and polyfluorinated substances containing a carbon chain of less than nine carbon atoms, such as perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA). Companies may also use these substances as substitutes for PFOA, its salts and related substances.

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