



# Technical Brief

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## Are You in Compliance with CCCR 2001?

If you sell products that do not comply with Canada's Consumer Chemicals and Containers Regulations, 2001 (CCCR 2001), you could be involved in a costly product recall or face other ramifications. In recent years, there has been an increase in enforcement activity by Health Canada. In 2009, 45 chemical products were subject to a recall for violations of CCCR 2001. In 2010, there were over 100 chemical products recalled. During the first half of 2011, 21 chemical products have been recalled. Enforcement is not limited to the manufacturers; distributors and retailers may be cited and fined if they are distributing and selling non-compliant products for use in Canada.

Chemical products sold to consumers in Canada must be evaluated to determine if they meet the definition of hazard classes under the CCCR 2001. If a chemical product meets the definition of a hazard class, the product must be properly labeled and may require child-resistant packaging. If a product is determined to be extremely hazardous it may be banned from consumer sale under CCCR 2001. As an example, aerosol products with a flame projection greater than 100 cm cannot be sold for consumer use.

The hazard classes that are defined and regulated under CCCR 2001 include the following:

- Corrosive products
- Toxic products
- Flammable products
- Quick skin-bonding adhesives
- Pressurized containers

If a product meets the definition for one or more of these hazard classes, the product must be labeled with corresponding hazard symbols and prescribed warning statements. The regulation details the location for the symbols and each required piece of information, as well as the font, case and minimum type size. Additionally, all required information must be in both English and French-Canadian.

Guidance documents regarding CCCR 2001 and other consumer product regulations can be found on Health Canada's website: [www.hc-sc.gc.ca](http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca)

Copies of the Hazardous Products Act and related regulations such as CCCR 2001 can be found here: <http://laws.justice.gc.ca/en/H-3/index.html>

### **CRC Solution:**

CRC Canada Co. has a full line of automotive, marine and other specialty consumer chemical products available for Canadian customers that fully comply with the CCCR 2001 labeling and packaging requirements. Please visit our website to view our product catalog and get additional information on our products: [www.crc-canada.ca](http://www.crc-canada.ca)

Please note that CRC Industries, Inc. products sold to the US market are not labeled for sale in Canada. Please contact CRC Canada Co. to ensure that you are ordering the correct products for sale and distribution in Canada.

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