## **GENESCO**



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# Compliance with Consumer Product Safety Laws Johnston & Murphy

The Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC") is the federal agency that enforces the Consumer Product Safety Act ("CPSA") as amended by the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA). The CPSA requires manufacturers and importers of record to provide certifications of compliance with rules, bans, and mandatory safety standards, including but not limited to the Flammable Fabrics Act. Unless exempt, testing based on a reasonable testing program is required to demonstrate compliance with applicable flammability requirements.

All Johnston & Murphy vendors are required to fully comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and to provide documents demonstrating compliance upon request. Vendors must ensure that items comply with applicable requirements prior to shipment to Johnston & Murphy.

For any products where Johnston & Murphy is the importer of record, vendors must provide to Johnston & Murphy — prior to shipment — completed copies of the Certificate of Conformity Information Form (attached here as Exhibit A). Johnston & Murphy will not accept and will not certify products that lack the required certificate of conformity information form and testing documentation.

When Johnston & Murphy is not the importer of record, Johnston & Murphy requires that products be tested to applicable standards and certified by the domestic manufacturer or importer of record. For those products certified by the domestic manufacturer or other importer of record, copies of the testing records and certificates must be provided to Johnston & Murphy upon request.

The following is not legal advice, and vendors should consult legal counsel if they have questions regarding their legal obligations. Below are some of the CPSA requirements that are especially pertinent to the types of products supplied to Johnston & Murphy.

#### **General Certifications of Conformity ("GCC")**

A GCC is required for all items of adult wearing apparel but not footwear. Examples of wearing apparel include, but are not limited to, jackets, shirts, sweaters, pants and belts. When a Johnston & Murphy company is the importer of record, Johnston & Murphy will prepare the GCC based on the Vendor Cover Page for Shipment Approval and all third-party test results supplied to it by the vendor. When a Johnston & Murphy company is not the importer of record, the vendor must prepare the GCC. The GCC must be immediately available if requested, but does not need to be provided to Johnston & Murphy unless requested.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Other potentially applicable state regulations include, but are not limited to, California's Proposition 65.

Compliance and certification for a GCC must be based on a reasonable testing program. Items must be tested for compliance with all applicable CPSC-enforced standards at least once yearly or whenever there is a material change to the item, its source, or the manufacturing process.

#### A GCC must include:

- 1. All information in English
- 2. Name, full mailing address, and telephone number of the importer of record.
- 3. A product description sufficient to match the GCC to each product it covers and no others. For example, a GCC must identify the SKU, or item number(s).
- 4. The identification of each applicable standard, rule, ban or regulation.
- 5. Date (month, day, and year) of production start and end and place of manufacture.
- 6. Date of any test(s), and identity, address and telephone number of the lab that conducted the test(s), if applicable.
- 7. Name and full contact details of the individual responsible for maintaining test results.

### Flammable Fabrics Act Compliance for All Items of Wearing Apparel

Unless made of exempt fabric, wearing apparel (not footwear) must be tested for compliance with applicable regulations enacted under the Flammable Fabrics Act (15 U.S.C. § 1191 et seq.) at 16 C.F.R. 1602 et seq.

Exempt fabrics are those comprised entirely of:

- (1) Plain surface fabrics, regardless of fiber content, weighing 2.6 ounces per square yard or more; and
- (2) All fabrics, both plain surface and raised-fiber surface, regardless of weight, made entirely from any of the following fibers or entirely from a combination of the following fibers: acrylic, modacrylic, nylon, olefin, polyester, and wool.

(16 C.F.R. 1610.1(d)).

If an item of wearing apparel is comprised entirely of exempt fabric, it must still be certified as compliant, but the certificate will indicate that it is exempt from testing under 16 C.F.R. 1610.1(d).

For additional information about these regulations, go to: http://www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/cpsia.html

Genesco may request tests in order to support the product exemption reasoning.

# Exhibit A

Certificate of Conformity Information Form
Product Name
J&M Style #/ Vendor Style #
J&M PO# (Order #)
PO Quantity broken out by style
Manufacturer name
Manufacturer address Manufacturer, city, state or providence, country and zip
Manufacturer contact name
Manufacturer phone
Manufacturer email
Production Quantity
Production Start Date
Production Finish Date
In addition, please provide the following:
Test report (Attach separately, if applicable)
Photo of Product
Photo of country of origin label
Photo of care label
Photo of RN# on label
Material content label
For additional information about these regulations, go to: http://www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/cpsia.html

TEST REPORTS MUST BE ATTACHED

## **Instructions for Completing Vendor Cover Page for Shipment Approval**

- 1. Form is used only when a Johnston & Murphy company is the importer of record.
- 2. The completed form, and any test reports, should be e-mailed to vendorcompliance@genesco.com as early as possible in the process and is required for approval of shipment.
- As the vendor, you must determine whether the fabric is exempt from testing. If the product is exempt please inform this to vendorcompliance@genesco.com and provide the test reports to support the reasoning of the product being exempt.

A copy of the Certificate of Conformity Information Form is located within the forms section.