

**§1735. Certificate of compliance**

A certificate of compliance is a document developed by a manufacturer and furnished to its purchasers that attests that one or more packages or packaging components meet the standards established in section 1733 or are exempt under the provisions of section 1734. If compliance is achieved under the exemptions provided in section 1734, the certificate must state the specific basis upon which the exemption is claimed. A certificate of compliance must be signed by an authorized official of the manufacturer. A certificate of compliance may cover more than one type of package or packaging component as long as they are separately identified. [PL 1993, c. 310, Pt. A, §2 (AMD).]

**1. New or reformulated packaging.** If the manufacturer reformulates or creates a new package or packaging component, the manufacturer shall furnish its purchasers with an amended or new certificate of compliance for the reformulated or new package or packaging component. [PL 1993, c. 310, Pt. A, §2 (AMD).]

**2. Presentation of certificates.** Each manufacturer shall furnish the department, at the department's request, with a copy of any certificate of compliance and each manufacturer or supplier shall furnish, at the department's request, copies of a certificate of compliance for distribution to the public. [PL 1995, c. 656, Pt. A, §10 (AMD).]

**3. Food package; limitation of scope of certificate.** A manufacturer subject to the prohibitions under section 1733, subsection 3-A or 3-B shall develop a certificate of compliance under this section, except that the manufacturer may limit the scope of the certificate to the prohibitions in section 1733, subsection 3-A or 3-B. A manufacturer that is exempt under section 1733, subsection 3-C is also exempt from the requirements of this subsection. [PL 2019, c. 277, §5 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1989, c. 849, §1 (NEW). PL 1993, c. 310, §A2 (AMD). PL 1995, c. 656, §A10 (AMD). PL 2019, c. 277, §5 (AMD).

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