

TLMI PFAS CHEAT SHEET

What are PFAS?

PFAS stands for Per-Fluoro-Alkyl-Substances or Poly-Fluoro-Alkyl Substances. There are over 15,000 types of PFAS with varying levels of impact to health and environment

Why are PFAS a Problem?

Some types have a half-life of over 1,000 years (forever chemicals)
They are bio-accumulative and can stay in your bloodstream for years
CDC says 97% of Americans have PFAS in their blood
Health effects include: endocrine disruption, reprotoxic, immunotoxic, carcinogenic

Why are PFAS Used?

Provides water and grease barriers to paper products, aesthetic quality and application performance in polymer films, inks, and coatings

Regulations for PFAS

There are 277 introduced policies in 34 states

There are 141 adopted policies in 28 states

Legislation will continue to roll out with states restricting PFAS use. States will likely adjust statutes to provide additional time needed for compliance purposes

Companies with PFAS in supply chain should anticipate reporting requirements and registration

Diligence and record keeping on research are key

In April 2024 EPA passed rule on PFAS limits in drinking water and reporting requirements

Current PFAS Restrictions

*Intentionally added means the addition of a chemical that serves an intended function in the product component

State	Effective Date	Description
California	January 1, 2023	Ban on selling or offering any food packaging with PFAS
New York	December 31, 2022	Ban on distribution or sale of food packaging with intentionally added PFAS
Washington	February 1, 2023	Tiered ban on manufacture, sale of any food packaging with intentionally added PFAS
Colorado	January 1, 2024	Ban on PFAS in food packaging. Phase out sale of products in the state that contain intentionally added PFAS*
Maryland	January 1, 2024	Bans food packaging or a component of food packaging with direct food contact in which PFAS were intentionally added*
Minnesota	January 1, 2024	Bans all food packaging containing intentionally added PFAS*
Rhode Island	January 1, 2024	Bans all food packaging containing intentionally added PFAS*
Vermont	July 1, 2023	Bans all consumer products with intentionally added PFAS

2024 State Legislation Bills

State	Proposed Start Date	Description
Rhode Island Senate Bill 2850	July 1, 2027	Delay ban on PFAS in processing agents until July 1, 2027
Maine L.D. 1537	Passed April 11, 2024	Update to PFAS law to clarify exemptions for companies with less than \$20 MM in sales
California Senate Bill 903	January 1, 2032	Clarifies existing law. Prohibits PFAS unless Dept of Toxic Substances Control determines it is unavoidable
Wisconsin Senate Bill 1104	January 1, 2028	Ban on intentionally added PFAS in certain products. Ban on all products with intentionally added PFAS by January 1, 2034