FACT SHEET

R307-357 Consumer Products

Overview
The Utah Division of Air Quality, R307-357, was adopted as part of a package of rules designed to help minimize pollution along the Wasatch Front. Any person who sells, supplies, offers for sale or manufactures any consumer products for use in Box Elder, Cache, Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele, Utah and Weber Counties must not exceed the volatile organic compound (VOC) content limits for the products specified.

Products that contain solvents such as industrial and household cleaning products, paints and coatings, adhesives, surface coatings, metal cleaning solvents and personal care products containing these organic chemicals may be sources of airborne VOC emissions. Because VOCs react with nitrogen oxide, a common air pollutant, to form ground-level ozone (smog), Utah has adopted regulations that limit the amount of VOCs that can be contained in certain consumer products.

The table of standards and VOC limits, labeling, recordkeeping & reporting requirements for manufacturers can be found on our web page at: https://rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r307/r307-357.htm. Product categories are defined in the regulations, and vary across jurisdictions. Consult relevant regulations to determine the limits that may apply to specific products in your inventories.

Some regulations also contain exemptions that may apply. In some cases, regulated entities may apply for a variance. Many of the regulations allow manufacturers to apply for an exemption for "innovative products" that emit lower levels of VOCs than other similar products.