Leading Regulations to Eliminate PFAS in Europe and the US

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PFAS Use Remains Widespread

- Food packaging & food service ware
- Textiles, upholstery, leather, apparel, carpet & rugs, fabric sprays
- Cleaning agents, polishes & waxes
- Cosmetics & ski treatment
- Metal plating & metal products mfg.
- Lubricants & construction products
- Electronics, energy, transportation
- Medical devices & medicinal uses

See also: Report summaries from 2nd Stakeholder Consultation on a Restriction on PFAS under REACH, July 2021, European Union
12 states have adopted upstream PFAS policies
PFAS should be out of Food Packaging by 2023

### Food Packaging

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| **States are taking action** to eliminate PFAS in food packaging, including: | California  
Colorado  
Connecticut  
Hawaii  
Maine  
Maryland  
Minnesota  
New York  
Rhode Island  
Vermont  
Washington |
| **Restaurant chains are taking action** to eliminate PFAS from some or all of the food packaging used in their outlets, including: | Cava  
Chick-fil-A  
Chipotle  
Freshii  
McDonald’s  
Nathan’s Famous  
Panera Bread  
RBI (Burger King, Popeyes, Tim Hortons)  
Starbucks  
Sweetgreen  
Taco Bell  
Wendy’s |
| **Grocery stores are taking action** to eliminate PFAS from some or all of the food packaging used in the products sold in their stores, including: | Ahold Delhaize (Food Lion, Giant, Hannaford, Stop & Shop, Peapod)  
Albertsons (Safeway, Vons, Shaw’s, Randalls, Haggen, Carrs)  
Amazon  
Trader Joe’s  
Whole Foods Market |
PFAS should be out of Textile Articles by 2025

**Textiles**

**States are taking action** to eliminate PFAS in carpets, rugs, apparel, textile furnishings, upholstered furniture, fabric treatments and/or other textiles, including:

- California
- Colorado

**States are taking action to eliminate PFAS from and/or require disclosure** of PFAS in firefighter personal clothing and equipment, including:

- California
- Colorado

**Major brands and retailers are taking action** to eliminate PFAS in apparel, carpets, rugs, textile furnishings, upholstered furniture, fabric treatments and/or other textiles, including, but not limited to:

- Deckers Brands
- H&M
- Home Depot
- IKEA
- Jack Wolfskin
- Keen Footwear
- Levi Strauss & Co
- Lowe’s
- Milliken & Co.
- Office Depot
- Patagonia
- Polartec
- Staples
- Sympatex
- Target
- Ugg
- Victoria’s Secret
- Zara
## Firefighting Foam

**Federal agencies are taking action** on PFAS based firefighting foam, including:

- Department of Defense is phasing out the use of PFAS based foam

**States are taking action** through legislation and regulation to ban the use of PFAS based firefighting foam, and/or creating take back programs for already purchased foam, including:

- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Hawaii
- Illinois
- Maine
- Maryland
- New Hampshire
- New York
- Vermont
- Washington

**States are banning incineration** of firefighting foam, including:

- Illinois
- New York

## Cosmetics

**States are taking action** to eliminate PFAS chemicals in cosmetics, including:

- California
- Colorado
- Maryland

**Major retailers are taking action** to restrict PFAS in cosmetics, including:

- Target
Maine Takes a Common-Sense Approach

- By Jan 1, 2023, PFAS use is prohibited in carpets, rugs & fabric sprays sold in state
- By Jan 1, 2023, all manufacturers must report PFAS use in products sold, and by industry
- By rule, Maine can phase out other non-essential uses of PFAS in other products
- By Jan 1, 2030, all PFAS uses are banned unless DEP determines that a specific use is “currently unavoidable” – i.e. “essential to health, safety or functioning of society, and for which alternatives are not reasonably available
Thank You

Feel free to contact me with additional questions

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Efforts to phase out PFAS use in products

• Many states tackling specific uses:
  • WA, ME, NY, VT, soon CA are addressing PFAS in food packaging
  • VT, ME, CA and soon WA are addressing PFAS in carpets, rugs, and fabric treatments
  • VT in ski wax
• Retailers and Manufacturers also taking action
  • Chipotle, McDonalds, Taco Bell and others have committed to eliminating PFAS from wrappers
  • Home Depot & Lowes stopped selling PFAS containing carpets and rugs
  • KEEN removing all PFAS from footwear by 2025