



California Proposition 65 Briefing

What is it?	<p>California Proposition 65 or “Proposition 65” is officially known as the <i>Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986</i>. It requires the state to maintain a list of chemicals that may cause cancer or reproductive toxicity. It also requires businesses to place a warning label on products that contain these chemicals if sold in California.</p> <p>> For more information about Prop 65 see the official wording below, and link to the list of chemicals that have been identified by the state.</p>
What to know.	<p>Customers have called and ask if SW® is Proposition 65 compliant or asked “Where is our Prop 65 language?”</p> <p>SW® does not currently have the need to have Proposition 65 warnings for any of our products as none of them contain chemicals on the state managed list.</p>
Common Questions.	<p>Customers have asked about our use of Aloe Vera for hand moisturizing and Carbon Black as a glove coloring agent.</p> <p>Certain types of Aloe Vera and Carbon Black are on the list but the variety of Aloe Vera extract that we use is not on the list, and the Carbon Black we use is bonded in the nitrile material so it does not pose a threat. Both these products and the way we use them are excluded from requiring Proposition 65 warnings.</p>
Aloe Vera Details	<p>SW® gloves are coated with an organic Aloe Vera gel called ACTIValoe supplied by Aloecorp Inc. Our gloves only use non-carcinogenic, decolorized Aloe Vera extract, so there is no risk of exposure that could cause cancer or other harm.</p> <p>Proposition 65 does list “Aloe Vera whole leaf extract” that “consists of the liquid portion of the Aloe Vera leaf and is a natural constituent of the Aloe Barbadensis Miller plant.” But it does specifically exclude the more common forms used in personal care products--Aloe Vera decolorized whole leaf extract, Aloe Vera gel, Aloe Vera gel extract and Aloe Vera latex.</p>
Carbon Black Details	<p>SW does use carbon black as a pigment color for black gloves. Since the carbon black is bound within the product, no warning label is necessary.</p> <p>The Proposition 65 listing only pertains to airborne, unbound carbon black particles of respirable size. The listing excludes exposure to carbon black, when it remains bound within a product matrix, such as rubber, ink, or paint.</p>
Specific Language	<p>WARNING LABEL: This product can expose you to chemicals including [name chemicals] which is [are] known to the State of California to cause cancer or birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</p> <p>List of chemicals: https://oehha.ca.gov/proposition-65/proposition-65-list</p>