



Christian Liberty Press

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Response to the CPSIA

Many of you have been contacting Christian Liberty Press recently to ask about our reaction to the new Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA). We are sending you this special newsletter to inform you about our response to the standards established by the CPSIA.

CHRISTIAN LIBERTY PRESS AND THE CPSIA

Last year, Congress passed the CPSIA to "... establish consumer product safety standards and other safety requirements for children's products...." Book publishers are affected because of the requirement that the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has set for lead content in toys and products designed for children under twelve years of age.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission provided the following information about the CPSIA (Release #09-086, January 8, 2009):

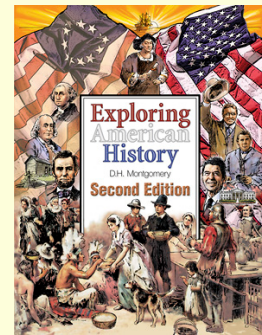
In February 2009, new requirements of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) take effect. Manufacturers, importers, and retailers are expected to comply with the new Congressionally-mandated laws. Beginning February 10, 2009, children's products cannot be sold if they contain more than 600 parts per million (ppm) total lead. Certain children's products manufactured on or after February 10, 2009 cannot be sold if they contain more than 0.1% of certain specific phthalates or if they fail to meet new mandatory standards for toys.

Under the new law, children's products with more than 600 ppm total lead cannot lawfully be sold in the United States on or after February 10, 2009, even if they were manufactured before that date. The total lead limit drops to 300 ppm on August 14, 2009.

The new law requires that *domestic manufacturers and importers certify that children's products made after February 10* meet all the new safety standards and the lead ban (emphasis added). Sellers of used children's products, such as thrift stores and consignment stores, are not required to certify that those products meet the new lead limits, phthalates standard or new toy standards.

This law applies to children's products—including books—manufactured or imported on or after February 10, 2009. Most recently, however, the CPSC granted a one-year stay of testing and certification (Release #09-115, January 30, 2009) for a variety of children's products. This stay of testing and certification applies to the publication of books, including those published by Christian Liberty Press.

In spite of this stay, Christian Liberty Press will continue to work with our printers to ensure that we produce safe products that will meet the standards of the CPSC once the stay is over. We have already contacted our printers, and they have assured us that they meet or exceed the new CPSC guidelines.



Exploring American History

Christian Liberty Press will soon have available a second edition of *Exploring American History*, replacing the original edition we have been using for many years. The second edition is a significant improvement over the first edition, with new and revised chapters, improved layout, and a colorful cover. We are confident that your customers will greatly appreciate this new edition.

We still have just under two hundred copies of the first edition text left for those of you who wish to continue carrying this less expensive edition. Once the current stock is exhausted, however, only second edition will be available.

For further information about *Exploring American History*, see pages 2-4 of this newsletter.

As you may be aware, Christian Liberty Press produces many of the ancillary materials that are available for use with the course materials we publish or resell. We copy such items in-house on a Canon Image Runner 110 (iR 110). The toner used with the iR 110 copier is a styrene acrylate copolymer, which is non-toxic; the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) from the manufactures (HP, Kyocera, NexPress Solutions, etc.) of the toner have no warnings concerning this copolymer. Nevertheless, we are pursuing more information from Canon about our in-house printing so that we can provide you with the appropriate information for your records.

The vast majority of these items are meant to be used by or under the control of educators. This includes teacher materials (i.e., answer keys and teacher's manuals) and test packets. Since parents and teachers are to use the teacher materials, and adults administer the tests, these items would not fall under the CPSC standards.

That being said, we want you to be aware of a few products that we copy in-house that are for use by children under twelve years of age—such as coloring books, flashcards, and handwriting pads. These items may come under the provisions of the CPSIA. We will address these items in two ways. First, as mentioned above, we will continue to look into the matter with Canon and provide our own certificates as needed. Secondly, we may produce some of these items out-of-house, which would resolve the situation because outside printers would be able to certify them without Christian Liberty Press doing third party testing.

Christian Liberty Press strives to provide its customers with safe and sound educational products that will help parents and teachers renew their students' minds to the glory of God. If you have any questions, please contact us immediately. We are more than willing to help in any way we can.

A general version of this information will soon be included on our Web site (www.christianlibertypress.com). If your customers have any questions about our response to the CPSIA, please feel free to direct them there.

NEW PRODUCT INFORMATION

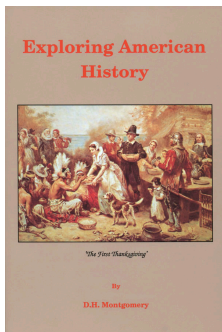
Exploring American History, Second Edition

We are excited to announce that our second edition of *Exploring American History* will be available in March. Information about this new edition is found below. An example of the cover to the new edition is found on the first page of this newsletter. It has been significantly revised and reorganized: newly formatted, redone illustrations, several rewritten chapters, and even a few new chapters. The support materials have also been redone, with rewritten tests and a new teacher's manual that includes an answer key, suggestions for teachers, and a plan for completing the course during a typical school year. A sample of each of these items will be sent to you when they become available next month.

We have also included the General Conformity Certificate for this product, which was sent to us prior to the stay recently announced by the CPSC. Note that the lead in the substrate of this product is less than 300 ppm—which exceeds the current standard of 600 ppm, as of February 10; and meets the standard of 300 ppm, which will take effect in August 2009. In spite of the stay by the CPSC, we encourage you to keep this certificate on file for any customers that would like to know about this issue.

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The original edition of *Exploring American History* will still be available at a list price of \$6.95.

PLACE YOUR ORDERS NOW

This is just a reminder that you may want to consider ordering from Christian Liberty Press now. Unfortunately, we need to raise our prices due to our own increased costs. These price increases will go into effect on March 2, 2009. We regret the necessity to raise our prices but doing so will enable us to give you even better products and service in the future.

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	16 CFR §1500.19 - ASTM F963 - Labeling (small parts, etc.)			

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