
GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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FOODSTUFFS, COSMETICS AND DISINFECTANTS ACT, 1972

(ACT NO. 54 OF 1972)

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION OF THE MANUFACTURING, IMPORTATION, EXPORTATION AND SALE OF POLYCARBONATE INFANT FEEDING BOTTLES CONTAINING BISPHENOL A

The Minister of Health has, in terms of section 15 (1) of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act No. 54 of 1972), made the regulations in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

1. Definitions

In these regulations-

“Bisphenol A” means an industrial chemical that is mainly used in combination with other chemicals to manufacture plastics and resins such as polycarbonate, a type of transparent, rigid plastic, used for, among others, the manufacturing of infant feeding (baby) bottles, and which is also referred to as *2,2-bis(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane*.

“the Act” means the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act No. 54 of 1972), and any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall bear such meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates-

2. Prohibition

The manufacture, importation, exportation and sale of polycarbonate infant feeding bottles containing Bisphenol A is hereby in terms of section 2(1)(a)(iv) of the Act, prohibited.

3. Commencement

These regulations shall come into operation on the date of the publication of the final regulations.

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