

North America has its own chemical regulatory frameworks with differing authorities and procedures. The most important regulations are the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) in the United States, California Proposition 65 (CP65), and the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA).

For exporting companies, in-depth knowledge of these regulatory systems is essential to correctly fulfill notification and documentation obligations. At the same time, compliance requires a high level of supply-chain transparency and continuous adaptation to new regulatory requirements. Companies that implement these measures at an early stage significantly reduce risks and strengthen their competitive position.

>> OBJECTIVE

Participants gain a structured understanding of the scope and requirements of the three key North American regulations—TSCA, California Proposition 65, and CEPA.

You will be able to integrate regulatory obligations, documentation requirements, and communication pathways into your company processes and assess key differences compared to EU regulatory systems. This enables you to secure market access and avoid legal and financial risks such as import bans, fines, or litigation.

Your Advantage: Learn from industry experts with many years of professional experience in materials and product compliance. Our specialists share practical knowledge that can be directly integrated into your business processes.

>> NOTICE

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>> TOPICS COVERED

North America as a Compliance Landscape - Overview and System Understanding

- Countries affected within North America
- Political and legal structures of the countries
- Role of federal authorities versus state-level regulation
- Overview of material compliance regulations in North America

TSCA (USA)

- Structure and purpose: central U.S. regulation for chemical regulation
- Overview of TSCA sections
- TSCA Inventory: active and inactive substances
- PMN and SNUR: new substances and new uses
- EPA Risk Evaluation Process
- Section 6 restrictions (e.g. PBTs, PFAS, asbestos)
- Import certification under Section 13
- Reporting obligations (CDR, Section 8 reporting)

U.S. State-Level Regulatory Dynamics

- PFAS bans at state level (e.g. Maine, Minnesota, California)
- Packaging regulations
- Reporting requirements for children's products

California Proposition 65 (CP65)

- Objective: consumer protection through chemical disclosure
- Structure of the Chemicals of Concern List
- Safe Harbor Levels (MADL / NSRL)
- Exposure assessment as a key compliance element
- Warning labels (B2C and B2B relevance)
- Documentation and evidence requirements
- Private enforcement and litigation risk

CEPA (Canada)

- Structure and objective of CEPA as a federal act
- Domestic and Non Domestic Substances Lists (DSL / NDSL)
- New Substances Notification Regulations (NSNR)
- Screening assessment process
- Toxic Substances List (Schedule 1)
- Significant New Activity (SNAc)
- PFAS and substance group strategy from 2025 onward
- Reporting via the ECCC submission portal
- Information requirements in safety data sheets (SDS) and the supply chain

Comparison and Interfaces with EU Regulations

- Comparison of TSCA / CEPA versus REACH
- Differences in articles and chemicals → relevance for exporters
- Use of European data (SVHC information, SDS) for North American compliance obligations

Outlook and Trends

- Ongoing evolution of the EPA Risk Evaluation Process
- Expansion of CEPA to include PFAS and group-based substance assessments
- State-level PFAS regulations as a major compliance driver
- Digitalization of reporting portals (EPA / ECCC)
- Growing importance of supply chain transparency and global harmonization

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Teaching Method

Lecture with demonstrations,
followed by questions and
answers



Duration

240 Minutes
(4 Hours)



Max. Number of Participants

14

>> TARGET GROUP

Specialists and managers from material compliance, procurement, quality, environmental management, and product management who are responsible for products intended for the North American market.

>> PERSONAL PREREQUISITES

Participation in the modules “Background and Overview of Material Compliance” and “REACH (+ UK REACH)” is recommended, or equivalent professional experience.

>> CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

Each participant will receive a personalized certificate of attendance as proof of qualification.

>> TRAINING DOCUMENTATION

You will receive a copy of the presentation used in class as a PDF.

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