CHEMICALS @ TARGET: CHEMICALS POLICY & GOALS

POLICY

Background
Chemicals used in consumer products are a priority for Target, our guests and our suppliers. Target has a strong track record of leadership in identifying, reducing and eliminating substances in our products, supply chain and operations when they demonstrate a potential risk to our guests or team members. We’re determined to lead this work and show how a proactive stance on chemicals is beneficial to our business, our guests and the world.

Target’s priority is to sell products with a positive impact on the lives of our guests and communities and to ensure worker and guest safety throughout our value chain and operations. To continue our leadership and demonstrate our commitment, a cohesive chemicals management framework across all our product categories and operations has been established. We believe that this robust approach to managing chemicals will accelerate similar efforts across the industry. Together, we can further reduce the presence of unwanted chemicals in the homes and workplaces of millions of people, helping to enhance their health and wellbeing.

Policy
Target is committed to driving transparency, proactive chemical management and innovation across all of our owned and national brand consumer products and in operations.

Transparency: Target will strive for full visibility to chemicals contained in and used to make the products we sell and use in our operations.
- Target will work toward the long-term goal of full material disclosure for all products and processes across all categories and in our operations.
- Target will approach transparency in the supply chain as an iterative process, continually adding more product categories and achieving increasing levels of transparency.

(Chemical) Management: Target will partner with business partners to implement policies, practices and tools which facilitate the management of chemicals through the supply chain and across our operations.
- Target will utilize hazard profiles to prioritize substances for restriction in products and processes, with an emphasis on the impact these substances could have on workers, guests, and communities.
- Target will utilize Restricted Substances Lists (RSLs) and Manufacturing Restricted Substances Lists (MRSLS) to minimize and, where possible, remove these prioritized chemicals from our products and processes.

Innovation: Target will actively pursue and promote new approaches to chemicals development and the commercialization of safer alternatives.
- Target will contribute resources and expertise to initiatives working to develop safe alternatives for chemicals where no viable alternatives currently exist.
- Target will support innovation which utilizes green chemistry principles in the development, design, and manufacturing of consumer products.
- Target will actively engage with NGOs, associations and industry partners to innovate and promote a consistent approach to greener chemistry.

Reporting Progress
Target will monitor progress against this policy through existing and to-be-launched tools and processes, and will publicly communicate progress annually.
GOALS

Transparency
- Achieve transparency to all ingredients, including generics such as ‘fragrance’, in beauty, baby care, personal care and household cleaning formulated products by 2020.

(Chemical) Management
Target will actively pursue the development of safer alternatives to achieve our goals. We will work to remove chemicals or find alternatives to those chemicals that could pose a risk to our guests, workers and community. When changes are made, we will ensure the integrity and safety of our products.
- Improve textile products by removing added Perfluorinated Chemicals (PFC’s) from products by 2022.
- Improve textile products by removing added flame retardants that are potential carcinogens or pose harm to the guest, workers or communities by 2022.
- Improve beauty, baby care, personal care and household cleaning product categories by formulating without phthalates, propyl-paraben, butyl-paraben, formaldehyde, formaldehyde-donors, or NPE’s by 2020.

Innovation
- Invest up to $5 million in green chemistry innovation by 2022.

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