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**URGENT REMINDER: Consumer Product Safety Commission implements new requirements for filing of Children's Product Certificates (CPCs) and General Certificates of Conformity (GCCs) effective: July 8th 2026.**

As a follow up to our prior news articles, on July 8th 2026 the CPSC's new eFiling program will apply to all imported consumer products subject to a mandatory safety standard, as set forth in the rule, including de minimis shipments. The program will require importers of regulated products that require certification to electronically file data elements at the time of filing an entry which include:

1. Identification of the product covered by this certificate Describe the product(s) covered by this certification in enough detail to match the certificate to each product it covers and no others.
2. Citation to each CPSC product safety rule to which this product is being certified The certificate must identify each applicable safety rule ([click this link](#)). If an exemption applies that makes testing to a particular safety rule unnecessary, note the citation for the exemption under the safety rule (see GCC examples for recommendations on how to cite exemptions).
3. Identification of the domestic manufacturer or importer certifying compliance of the product Provide the name, full mailing address, and telephone number of the firm.
4. Contact information for the individual maintaining records of test results Provide the name, full mailing address, e-mail address, and telephone number of the person maintaining test records in support of the certification. The person does not need to be from the firm identified in element 3, but it is the responsibility of the

firm identified in element 3 to facilitate the provision of test reports when requested.

5. Date and place of manufacture For the date(s) of manufacture, provide at least the month and year (or starting month and year for a continuous batch). For the place of manufacture, provide at least the city (or administrative region), state (if applicable), and country where the product was manufactured (final assembly). If the same manufacturer operates more than one location in the same city, provide the street address of the factory.

6. Date(s) and place(s) of testing Provide the date(s) of the test(s) or test report(s) and location(s) of testing.

7. Identification of any third-party laboratory who conducted the testing Provide at least the name, full mailing address, and telephone number. This section may state "N/A" for a GCC/CPC because third-party laboratory testing is not a requirement for general-use products; however, if the responsible firm uses test results from a third-party laboratory as the basis for issuing its GCC, the law requires that the certifier must then provide information pursuant to this section. The eFiling initiative will require specific elements from a product's Certificate of Compliance to be transmitted to U.S. Customs and Border Protection through the Partner Government Agency (PGA) message set in ACE.

What does this mean for importers:

Importer Responsibility: Importers are responsible for product certification. As the broker, we cannot certify products for our clients and can only transmit the data provided by the importer to CPSC through our filing systems.

Products Impacted: CPSC has published a list of HTS classifications that may require reporting ([click here](#) for the full list). Not all commodities are affected.

Products must be certified if they are finished goods, subject to CPSC regulations or bans, or imported for consumer use.

If your importing products that are subject to the new CPSC eFiling requirements, you should provide a copy of the Children's Product Certificate (CPC) or General Certificate of Conformity (GCC) whichever is applicable to American Shipping Co. Inc. along with the usual commercial documents sent for Customs clearance. If you chose not to provide a copy of the CPC or GCC you may also submit the required information to us either on the suppliers commercial invoice or a separate document for which we will use to glean the required information in order to send the data to CBP/CPSC via the automated broker interface in ACE.

If you are not sure if your imported product requires a CPC or GCC the Consumer Product Safety Commission offers a robot for your use to help determine

applicability. ([Click Here](#))

If you would like to learn more about the CPSC product registry please review the CPSC product registry video [HERE](#).

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