

Product Regulatory Notification

Panasonic Batteries

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Nature of Notice:

Change in Local Regulation

Applicable models:

CR1025, CR1216, CR1220, CR1612, CR1616,
CR1620, CR1632, CR2012, CR2025, CR2032,
CR2320, CR2330, CR2354, CR2412, CR2450,
CR2477, CR3032

(Also, all part numbers including above battery, i.e.
terminal attached, lead and wire connected and etc..)

Date of Notice: June 15, 2006

Attention: Valued Customers

As you may be aware, the state legislature of California enacted a law regulating the use and handling of **Perchlorate** (LiClO_4) in industrial and retail products. Panasonic as a company has been in the forefront of producing environmentally safe products as well as complying with the environmental laws both in the United States and abroad. As Perchlorate is one of the chemical components of our CR Lithium primary coin cell batteries, we would like to inform you of the details of the regulation and some of the required action to comply with the law.

Relevant Documents

California Code of Regulations, title 22, division 4.5: Chapter 33 – Best Management Practices for Perchlorate Materials.

<http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Perchlorate/>

Summary of Regulation

Labeling

All Perchlorate containing material and products containing a Perchlorate containing material must be labeled in accordance with the California Code of Regulations. The statement on page two of this product notice must appear on all consumer packaging and on the outermost visible portion of all Perchlorate containing material shipping packages. Alternative options include this statement on your MSDS or some other paperwork with every package or to include it in the Owners/Operating manual of your product.

Effective Date For OEM Products: July 1, 2006
For Consumer Products: Dec 31, 2006

Labeling Example

Primary Lithium Coin Battery

The following statement must appear on the exterior of all outermost visible packaging and on consumer packaging for all Panasonic CR coin type cells during transportation.

Perchlorate Material – special handling may apply.
See www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate.

NOTE: If you repackage and ship Panasonic product containing Perchlorate (CR type coin cells), you must ensure that the labeling is in compliance with these regulations.

The following text will appear on all Lithium primary cells transported by Panasonic.

California USE Only

This Perchlorate warning applies only to primary CR (Manganese Dioxide)
Lithium coin cells sold or distributed ONLY in California, USA
“Perchlorate Material-special handling may apply.
See www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate”

PRIMARY LITHIUM BATTERIES — FORBIDDEN FOR TRANSPORT ABOARD PASSENGER AIRCRAFT

CALIFORNIA, USA ONLY

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Lithium coin cells sold or distributed ONLY in California USA

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Product containing or shipped with a CR Lithium coin cell

This statement must appear on all consumer packaging and on the exterior of the outermost visible package during transportation for products containing or shipped with Perchlorate containing material (CR coin type cell). As an alternative if you don't have consumer packaging, this statement can appear in your Owners/Operating Manual and on the outermost visible package during transportation.

Perchlorate Material – special handling may apply.
See www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate.

The regulations do not specify size, color or font. The label just needs to be clearly readable, good contrast and durable.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding concerning this regulation. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Panasonic sales account manager or the Panasonic OEM Product Management Department via one of the contact methods listed above.