

There are new testing requirements for items for children 12 and under. The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) requires that every item manufactured for children 12 and under must be tested. Product Safety is a top priority for Kids' Korner Gift Shoppes. We use 3rd-Party, government approved labs to evaluate and test all our items intended for Children 12 and under to ensure quality and safety. Independent 3rd party lab test results are posted on our web site at <u>www.kktests.com</u>. Kids' Korner Gift Shoppes is the only Holiday Shop to post product safety results on the WEB since 2009.

Testing is very expensive and compliance is a real pain. That is why some suppliers in the industry are trying to avoid doing it with legal disclaimers:

example: One Holiday Shop Supplier places a statement at the bottom of their invoice.

"We cannot be responsible for the legality of any products in your state or country. Please check with your own local laws before ordering."

Their claim - "They are selling the product to adults (PTA-PTO) and do not have any control who they are selling the product to."

Another has put labels on their product stating: "Not intended for use by children 12 years of age or younger."

Others Bluff - They say that they are CPSIA Approved - They show a list of tested items, however, if you click on the tested items the page doesn't exist.

Other suppliers are trying to pass the responsibility on to the sellers (PTA & PTO). Anyone dealing with Elementary Age Children needs to be in compliance whether the items are for your Holiday Shop, your Carnival, fund raising Prizes or even a garage sale. - or they could end up like the following:

CPSC fines nine companies \$530,000 for lead violations

Nine children's product manufacturers, importers and **sellers** have agreed to pay \$530,000 in civil penalties for violating the federal lead paint ban. The penalties settle allegations that the firms knowingly manufactured, imported or **sold** toys and other children's articles with paint or other surface coatings that contained lead levels in violation of federal law.

Protect your PTA/PTO - make sure the items you are selling are not in violation of the new law. Require your supplier to provide you with testing results for those items intended for use by children 12 and under. You can download a copy of the CPSIA guide at: http://www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/smbus/cpsiasbguide.pdf

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In recent years a number of Holiday Shop suppliers have added Kids to their advertising. The following Holiday Shop suppliers are in no way affiliated with any of Kids' Korner Gift Shoppes® group.

#1 kids gift shop by Reindeer Lane Gift Shop® - Georgia Kids' Holiday Shop by Jenny's Penguin Patch® - Texas
Kids' Smart Holiday Shop® by Quality Wholesale - Pennsylvania
Kids Go Shopping® by Kids Go Shopping Inc. - Pennsylvania
Gifts for Kids by Fund Raising Solutions - New Jersey
Kids' Kastle Children's Holiday Shop by Kastle Kreations - New Jersey

Visit our WEB site for the Kids' Korner® distributor nearest you. www.kidskornerusa.com