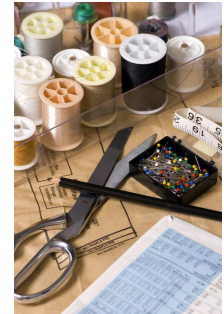

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Mexico Amends Textile Labeling Standard



Mexico's Ministry of the Economy recently reported certain amendments to the current labeling requirements for textiles and apparel as set forth in official standard NOM-004-SCFI-2006 will go into effect on February 21, 2012. The standard is applicable to apparel, apparel accessories, textile products and home textiles having a textile content greater than 50 percent of the product's total weight. Excluded from these labeling requirements (although potentially subject to other standards) are electric blankets, disposable diapers, sanitary towels, wet towels, toys made from textile materials, costumes, furniture, badges, flags, closures and zippers, buttons and buckles, certain watch parts of textile materials, certain cloths, kitchen gloves and makeup bags.

The amendments include clarifications of:

- the language requirements for the label
- when the lining of a garment must be disclosed
- when the term "other fibers" can be used
- fibers that can be described as "wool"
- Applicability of the 3% tolerance rule for fiber declarations
- country of origin marking requirements

To learn more about Mexican labeling requirements applicable to textiles, apparel or other products, please contact Gail Cumins at gcumins@spcblaw.com, Alli Baron at abaron@spcblaw.com, or Donna Shira at dshira@spcblaw.com respectively, or call (212) 425-0055.

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