



<b>Upholstered and Stuffed Articles Safety Program</b>	Ref. No.: USA-100-08	Rev. No.: 1
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**IN THE MATTER OF:  
THE TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND SAFETY ACT, 2000,  
S.O. 2000, c. 16 (the "Act")**

- and -

**ONTARIO REGULATION 218/01 (Upholstered and Stuffed Articles) made under the Act**

**Subject:** Padded Undergarments Labeling Requirements  
**Sent to:** Importers, Distributors, Manufacturers and Retailers

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Market developments have resulted in the manufacture of numerous types and styles of undergarments that contain filling materials or stuffing.

The Upholstered and Stuffed Articles regulation provides that;

“upholstered and stuffed article” means an article any part of which contains stuffing; and

“stuffing” means any material used for padding, filling or cushioning that is meant to be enclosed by a covering.

Accordingly, any garment, which contains filling, materials or stuffing, is considered an upholstered or stuffed article within the meaning and scope of the regulation.

**THEREFORE TAKE NOTICE THAT;**

In accordance with the requirements of the Upholstered and Stuffed Articles regulation;

1. Any undergarment, which contains filling materials shall have affixed to it a label in accordance with the regulation.
2. Manufacturers of padded undergarments must be licenced for the purpose of the Upholstered and Stuffed Articles Regulation, by the Technical Standards and Safety Authority.
3. No person shall sell or offer for sale padded undergarments, which do not bear a label in accordance with the regulation.

**TRANSITION:**

Over the next year the Upholstered and Stuffed Articles Safety Program will work with manufacturers, importers, distributors and retailers of padded undergarments to assist in this transition.

It is expected that all padded undergarments and those involved in their manufacture, importation, distribution or retailing will be in full compliance with the requirement of the regulation by July 1, 2009.

Dated at Toronto this 8th day of October 2008.

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Director, Ontario Regulation 218/01 (Upholstered and Stuffed Articles) made under  
*The Technical Standards and Safety Act, 2000*