

Proposition 65 Warning for Smith Chrome Plating and Polishing

Proposition 65 warnings can be found on many manufacturers' products and packaging, including ours.

These warnings are a result of a California State Law passed in 1986—the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, also commonly known as Proposition 65. Read on for more information on Proposition 65 Warnings.

What is Proposition 65?

The purpose of Prop 65 is to ensure the public is informed about the potential exposure to chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

Proposition 65 requires the State of California to publish a list of these chemicals. This list currently contains over 900 chemicals and continues to expand.

The law also requires companies to provide a warning on their products and/or packaging if they contain these chemicals. Chemicals on this list can be found in many everyday items. A warning must be given if the listed chemical is present in a product unless it can be demonstrated that the chemical poses "no significant risk." For chemicals that can cause cancer, the 'no significant risk' level is defined as the level, which is calculated to result in not more than one excess case of cancer in 100,000 individuals exposed over a 70-year lifetime.

Our products may have traces of various chemicals that are on the list, but they are all a part of the normal manufacturing process. Furthermore, these chemicals are contained within the product materials.

What does a Proposition 65 warning mean?

The warning does not mean our products will inevitably cause cancer or reproductive harm. Proposition 65 may be best defined as a "Right to Know" law and Proposition 65 warnings are not an indication that a product is violating safety standards or regulations.

Why do some products include this warning?

Proposition 65 law applies to any company operating, manufacturing, or selling products in the state of California. Our products are sold internationally and it would be difficult or impossible to place warnings only on products shipped to or sold in California. At this time, we have chosen to include this warning on all of our products to ensure compliance with Proposition 65 law, regardless of destination.

For more information on Proposition 65, visit the state of California's Proposition 65 website at: https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/