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Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
No. ~~2011~~ - 2009-0005-A
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SUBJECT: Addendum to Administrative Order No. 2009-0005 "Revised Policies and Guidelines on the Regulations on the Issuances of a License to Operate (LTO), Certificate of Conformity and Clearance for Customs Release Prescribed to Manufacturers, Importers and Distributors of Toys in the Philippines."

The Department of Health issued Administrative Order (AO) No. 2009-0005 dated January 12, 2009 to regulate toys sold or given free in the Philippines. However, to ensure that the toys used by Filipino children are safe, AO 2009-0005 is hereby amended to include the following guidelines on the regulation of phthalates:

A. Prohibition on the sale of certain products containing phthalates*

It shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture for sale, offer for sale, distribute in commerce, or import into the country any children's toy that contains concentrations of more than 0.1 percent of di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP), or benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP)

B. Prohibition on the sale of additional products containing certain phthalates*

It shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture for sale, offer for sale, distribute in commerce, or import into the country any children's toy that can be placed in a child's mouth that contains concentrations of more than 0.1 percent of diisononyl phthalate (DINP), diisodecyl phthalate (DIDP), or di-n-octyl phthalate (DnOP).

This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in an official gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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*US Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008