

# **REGULATORY SEWN-IN LABEL REQUIREMENTS**

This document outlines Hobby Lobby and Mardel labeling regulatory guidelines for the product types requiring sewn-in labels listed below. The labeling requirements are applicable to import and/or domestic products private labeled for Hobby Lobby or Mardel. Domestic vendors are responsible for properly labeling all non-private labeled products. Label templates and/or examples of the labels addressed within this document are available for use and/or reference.

### Pillow & Bedding Law Label

- o Decorative Pillows, Pillow Inserts, Quilts, Etc. with any fiber or foam filling
- o Decorative Pillows, Pillow Inserts, Quilts, Etc. with feather, down or animal hair filling

### • Furniture Law Label

 Upholstered Furniture with any Fiber or Foam Filling: Poufs, Stools, Benches, Chairs, Headboards, Etc.

# • Plush Law Label

o Stuffed Toys, Decorative Stuffed Plush, Stuffed Ornaments

# • Fiber Content Label

Textile: Apparel, Aprons, Scarves, Bolt Fabric, Pillows, Pillow Covers, Blankets, Quilts,
 Curtains, Tablecloths, Placemats, Towels, Rugs, Tree Skirts, Umbrellas, Flags\*, Etc.

# • Care & Use Label

 Textile: Apparel, Aprons, Scarves, Bolt Fabric, Pillows, Pillow Covers, Blankets, Quilts, Curtains, Tablecloths, Placemats, Towels, Rugs, Christmas Stockings, Tree Skirts, Umbrellas, Flags\*, Etc.

# Carpet & Rug Label

o Carpets, Rugs

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# PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL REQUIREMENTS

#### INTRODUCTION

A law label is required on pillow and bedding products that are filled with any fiber, foam, feather, down, or animal hair filling materials. Pillow and bedding law labels are enforced at the state level for all applicable products sold within the states. Refer to <a href="www.iabflo.org">www.iabflo.org</a> for a list of states requiring furniture law label registration and exclusions to the regulations.

# FIBER OR FOAM FILLING

#### PRODUCTS COVERED

Decorative Pillows, Pillow Inserts, Quilts, Etc. with any fiber or foam filling

# **PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL FORMAT**

- The label material shall be Tyvek, Valeron, Vellum cloth or a material of comparable quality, that shall not tear
  or flake when abraded.
- The minimum size of the label shall not be less than 2 inches wide by 3 inches long, but may be larger as need demands. The length starts at the beginning of the word "UNDER" and ends at the country of origin on the bottom of the label.
- Permanent ink is required for printing the label. All printing shall be in the English Language.
- Text must be black on a white label and a minimum type font size of 1/8\* inch in height for all sections of the law label, including all upper and lower case letters.
- Printing on the back of the law label is prohibited.
- Each line separating the text is required to be a solid line that extends to the edges of the law label.

# **PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL CONTENT**

Refer to the pillow and bedding law label example for each point.

- A) <u>LAW STATEMENT</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown.
- B) <u>FILLING MATERIALS</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height and all bold print. The phrase "ALL NEW MATERIALS" and all terms used to describe the fillings shall be in all caps. The phrase "consisting of" can be in lower case. Exact verbiage required as shown and shall be completed by listing the filling materials and percentages. The description of the filling materials will be by the true generic name, grade, description term, or definitions of the filling material as accepted and approved by the states with registration requirements. When more than one type of filling material is used, the percent by weight of each material shall be listed in order of their predominance. Federal fiber tolerance standards are applicable. In the case of non-down filled articles, any fiber or groups of individual fiber present in an amount of less than 5% by weight of the total fiber content may be designated only as "other fiber" or "other fibers."
- C) <u>REGISTRATION NUMBER</u> Left aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown and will be completed by listing Uniform Registry Number (URN).
  - i. Import Products: Use the URN listed on the purchase order.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use URN assigned to vendor.
- D) CERTIFICATION Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. Exact verbiage required as shown.
- E) COMPANY Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. The phrase "MADE FOR" or "MADE BY" shall be bold print and in all caps. The company name and full address can be in lower case. Exact verbiage required as shown.
  - Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., 7707 SW 44th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73179. Listing any other company name including, Endless Possibilities, Mardel, trade names, etc., is not allowed unless approved by Product Quality and Compliance.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE BY" with the domestic vendor company information and full address or "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby or Mardel company information and full address.
- F) OTHER INFORMATION Left aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. The phrase "MADE IN" shall be center aligned, bold print and in all caps. Complete section by listing the finished size in U.S. and Metric terms, Federal Registration Number and country of origin.
  - i. Import Products: Use the Federal Registration Number listed on the purchase order.

ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use the Federal Registration Number assigned to vendor.

# PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL PLACEMENT

- The pillow and bedding law label shall be securely sewn onto the product and visible to the consumer at the time of purchase. If the label is not visible at the time of purchase, it is required to be printed on the packaging/labeling in full size using a white background and black type, meeting all content and type requirements.
- If a pillow comes with a removable cover, both the pillow cover and pillow insert will have the same sewn-in pillow law label. Both are required to have a fiber content and care and use sewn-in label per the Fiber Content and Care and Use Labeling Requirements.
- The pillow and bedding law label must always remain on top of any stacked labels. No other label shall be placed on top of the pillow and bedding law label, even if the secondary label is smaller.
- The pillow and bedding law label will be attached at the top of the stitch line and cannot be folded over and attached at both ends.

# PILLOW & BEDDING - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- To ensure the label meets compliance regarding the content, label size, label material type, font size, etc., a finished product with the pillow and bedding law label is required to be submitted to the testing lab for review and approval. Product Quality and Compliance cannot approve this type of label.
- The pillow and bedding law label cannot contain the fiber content or care and use instructions. A separate sewn-in label that includes the fiber content and care and use instructions is required. Refer to the Fiber Content and Care and Use Labeling Requirements.
- The SKU, purchase order number, and/or retail price are not allowed to be present on the front or back of the pillow and bedding law label. If needed, this information can be applied to the product on a separate label.
- The date of delivery is no longer required, but is acceptable to be listed in the other information section (F).
- Additional information not addressed within this guideline cannot be added without approval from Product Quality and Compliance.

#### PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL EXAMPLE

Label not shown to scale



<sup>\*</sup>Suggested generic font to meet font height requirement is Arial 12pt.

# FEATHER, DOWN, ANIMAL HAIR FILLING

#### **PRODUCTS COVERED**

Decorative Pillows, Pillow Inserts, Quilts, Etc., with any feather, down or animal hair filling

#### STERILIZATION PERMIT

Pillow and bedding products that contain feather, down, or animal hair filling require a sterilization permit number from the state of Pennsylvania. The factory processing the feathers, down, or animal hair is required to apply for the sterilization permit. An approved third party will inspect and certify the process before a sterilization permit number is issued. Once the initial Pennsylvania sterilization permit is obtained, it is the responsibility of the vendor and factory to register the permit number in all other states with sterilization permit requirements. Refer to <a href="www.iabflo.org">www.iabflo.org</a> for a list of states with sterilization permit requirements. The vendor and factory are responsible to maintain the renewal of their sterilization permit. Copies of sterilization permits from each state registered is required to be provided to <a href="mailto:productsafety@hobbylobby.com">productsafety@hobbylobby.com</a> for each purchase order, noting the purchase order number and SKUs covered under the permit within the email.

#### PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL FORMAT

- The label material shall be Tyvek, Valeron, Vellum cloth, or a material of comparable quality, that shall not tear or flake when abraded.
- The minimum size of the label shall not be less than 2 inches wide by 3 inches long but may be larger as need demands. The length starts at the beginning of the word "UNDER" and ends at the country of origin on the bottom of the label.
- Permanent ink is required for printing the label. All printing shall be in the English Language.
- Text must be black on a white label and a minimum type font size of 1/8\* inch in height for all sections of the law label, including all upper and lower case letters.
- Printing on the back of the law label is prohibited.
- Each line separating the text is required to be a solid line that extends to the edges of the law label.

#### **PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL CONTENT**

Refer to the pillow and bedding law label example for each point.

- A) <u>LAW STATEMENT</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print, and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown.
- B) <u>FILLING MATERIALS</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, and all bold print. The phrase "ALL NEW MATERIALS" and all terms used to describe the fillings shall be in all caps. The phrase "consisting of" can be in lower case. Exact verbiage required as shown and shall be completed by listing the filling materials and percentages. The phrase "CONTENTS STERILIZED" will be listed below the filling materials. When more than one type of filling material is used, the percent by weight of each shall be listed in order of their predominance.

#### **DOWN PRODUCTS**

A product labeled as "DOWN," "DUCK DOWN," OR "GOOSE DOWN" shall contain a minimum of 75% down cluster. The minimum down cluster percentage shall be listed on the label. The remainder filling typically consists of waterfowl feathers and small amounts of other components. If the remainder filling components exceed the following maximums, the percentage of such components will be listed on the label. Quill feathers are not permitted.

Down Fiber	maximum 10%
Feather Fiber	. maximum 10%
Chopped, Damaged and Crushed Feathers	. maximum 2%
Landfowl Feathers	. maximum 2%
Residue	. maximum 2%

Example:

ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

DOWN (MINIMUM 75% GOOSE DOWN) CONTENTS STERILIZED

#### **DOWN & FEATHER BLENDED PRODUCTS**

A product labeled as "DOWN AND FEATHERS" where the filling contains between 50% and 74% down and plumules shall list the percentage of each filling component. The type of feathers shall be listed with the percentage. The remainder filling typically consists of small amounts of other components. If the remainder filling components exceed the following maximums, the percentage of such components will be listed on the label.

# Example:

# ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

DOWN AND FEATHERS (DOWN 60% WATERFOWL FEATHERS 40%) CONTENTS STERILIZED

# ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

DOWN AND FEATHERS (DOWN 60% WATERFOWL FEATHERS 30% LANDFOWL FEATHERS 10%) CONTENTS STERILIZED

#### **FEATHER & DOWN PRODUCTS**

A product labeled as "FEATHERS AND DOWN" where the filling contains between 5% and 49% down and plumes shall list the percentage of each filling component. The type of down and feathers shall be listed with the percentage. The remainder filling typically consists of small amounts of other components. If the remainder filling components exceed the following maximums, the percentage of such components will be listed on the label. Quill feathers are not permitted.

#### Example:

ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

FEATHERS AND DOWN (DUCK FEATHERS 95% DUCK DOWN 5%) CONTENTS STERILIZED

#### **WATERFOWL PRODUCTS**

A product labeled as "WATERFOWL FEATHERS" is acceptable where the plumage filling contains a minimum of 80% waterfowl feathers and less than 5% down. The term "DUCK FEATHERS" and "GOOSE FEATHERS" may be listed when 90% of the plumage is that of the listed species. The type of feathers will be listed with the percentage. The remaining 20% filling may contain down, down fiber, feather fiber, chopped and damaged feathers, and non-waterfowl feathers. If the remainder filling components exceed the following maximums, the percentage of such components shall be listed on the label. Quill feathers are not permitted.

Down Fiber	maximum 10%
Feather Fiber	maximum 10%
Chopped, Damaged and Crushed Feathers	maximum 7%
Landfowl Feathers	maximum 5%
Residue	maximum 2%

#### Example:

# ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

# WATERFOWL FEATHERS CONTENTS STERILIZED

#### **OTHER PLUMAGE PRODUCTS**

A product outside of the requirements listed above shall be labeled with each component and percentage separately.

#### Example:

ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

WATERFOWL FEATHERS 50% CHICKEN FEATHERS 30% DAMAGED WATERFOWL FEATHERS 17% DOWN 3% CONTENTS STERILIZED

#### **DOWN, FEATHER & OTHER BLENDED PRODUCTS**

A product containing down, feather, and other blended products shall list the plumage part and the non-plumage part on the label. If the product contains feathers, the type of feathers will be listed with the percentage.

#### Example:

# ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

POLYESTER FIBER 60% FEATHERS 40% (WATERFOWL FEATHERS 90% LANDFOWL FEATHERS 10%) CONTENTS STERILIZED

# ALL NEW MATERIAL consisting of

DUCK FEATHERS 80% POLYESTER FIBER 20% CONTENTS STERILIZED

- C) <u>REGISTRATION NUMBER</u> Left aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown and will be completed by listing Uniform Registry Number (URN).
  - i. Import Products: Use the URN listed on the purchase order.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use URN assigned to vendor.
- C) <u>STERILIZATION PERMIT NUMBER</u> Right aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print, and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown and will be completed by listing sterilization permit number.
  - i. Import Products: Import vendor or factory will use sterilization permit number assigned to vendor or factory.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use sterilization permit number assigned to vendor.
- D) <u>CERTIFICATION</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. Exact verbiage required as shown.
- E) <u>COMPANY</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. The phrase "MADE FOR" or "MADE BY" shall be bold print and in all caps. The company name and full address can be in lower case. Exact verbiage required as shown.
  - Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., 7707 SW 44th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73179. Listing any other company name including, Endless Possibilities, Mardel, trade names, etc., is not allowed unless approved by Product Quality and Compliance.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE BY" with the domestic vendor company information and full address or "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby or Mardel company name and full address.

- F) OTHER INFORMATION Left aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. The phrase "MADE IN" shall be center aligned, bold print and in all caps. Complete section by listing the finished size in U.S. and Metric terms, Federal Registration Number and country of origin.
  - i. Import Products: Use the Federal Registration Number listed on the purchase order.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use the Federal Registration Number assigned to vendor.

#### PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL PLACEMENT

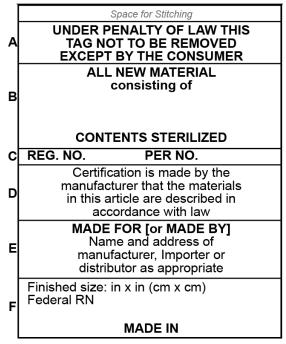
- The pillow and bedding law label shall be securely sewn onto the product and visible to the consumer at the time of purchase. If the label is not visible at the time of purchase, it is required to be printed on the packaging/labeling in full size using a white background and black type, meeting all content and type requirements.
- If a pillow comes with a removable cover, both the pillow cover and pillow insert will have the same sewn-in pillow law label. Both are required to have a fiber content and care and use sewn-in label per the Fiber Content and Care and Use Labeling Requirements.
- The pillow and bedding law label must always remain on top of any stacked labels. No other label shall be placed on top of the pillow and bedding law label, even if the secondary label is smaller.
- The pillow and bedding law label will be attached at the top of the stitch line and shall not be folded over and attached at both ends.

#### PILLOW & BEDDING - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- To ensure the label meets compliance regarding the content, label size, label material type, font size, etc., a finished product with the pillow and bedding law label is required to be submitted to the testing lab for review and approval. Product Quality and Compliance cannot approve this type of label.
- The pillow and bedding law label cannot contain the fiber content or care and use instructions. A separate sewn-in label that includes the fiber content and care and use instructions is required. Refer to the Fiber Content and Care and Use Labeling Requirements.
- The SKU, purchase order number and/or retail price are not allowed to be present on the front or back of the pillow and bedding law label. If needed, this information can be applied to the product on a separate label.
- The date of delivery is no longer required, but is acceptable to be listed in the other information section (F).
- Additional information not addressed within this guideline cannot be added without approval from Product Quality and Compliance.

# PILLOW & BEDDING LAW LABEL EXAMPLE

Label not shown to scale



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# **FURNITURE LAW LABEL REQUIREMENTS**

#### PRODUCTS COVERED

Upholstered Furniture with any Fiber or Foam Filling: Poufs, Stools, Benches, Chairs, Headboards, Etc.

#### INTRODUCTION

A law label is required on furniture products that are filled with any fiber or foam materials. Furniture law labels are enforced at the state level for all applicable products sold within the states. Refer to <a href="https://www.iabflo.org">www.iabflo.org</a> for a list of states requiring furniture law label registration and exclusions to the regulations.

The State of California requires additional labeling regulations per Technical Bulletin 117-2013 (TB117-2013) and California Senate Bill SB1019 (SB1019) on all upholstered furniture with fiber or foam filling materials. The furniture law label is required to provide a statement indicating if any flame retardants have or have not been added to the product. This label is required on applicable products in addition to the standard law label outlined on the Furniture Law Label Requirements.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has adopted California TB117-2013 and requires additional labeling on all upholstered furniture with fiber or foam filling materials.

#### **FURNITURE LAW LABEL FORMAT**

- The label material shall be Tyvek, Valeron, Vellum cloth or a material of comparable quality, that shall not tear
  or flake when abraded.
- Permanent ink is required for printing the label. All printing shall be in the English Language.
- Text must be black on a white label and a minimum type font size of 1/8\* inch in height for all sections of the law label, including all upper and lower case letters.
- Printing on the back of the law label is prohibited.
- Each line separating the text is required to be a solid line that extends to the edges of the law label.
- Standard Labeling Section: The minimum size of the label shall not be less than 2 inches wide by 3 inches long, but may be larger as need demands. The length starts at the beginning of the word "UNDER" and ends at the country of origin on the bottom of the label.
- California Labeling Section: The minimum size of the label shall not be less than 2 inches wide by 3 inches long, but may be larger as need demands. The length starts at the beginning of the TB117-2013 text and ends and the last line of SB1019 text on the bottom of the label.
- California Labeling Section: The line separating the standard law label text from the California law label requirements is a <a href="mailto:thick">thick</a>, solid line that extends to the edges of the law label.
- CPSC Labeling Section: The line separating the California law label text from the CPSC law label requirement is a <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhsc.10

#### **STANDARD FURNITURE LABEL CONTENT**

Refer to the standard furniture law label example for each point.

- A) <u>LAW STATEMENT</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown.
- B) <u>FILLING MATERIALS</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height and all bold print. The phrase "ALL NEW MATERIALS" and all terms used to describe the fillings shall be in all caps. The phrase "consisting of" can be in lower case. Exact verbiage required as shown and shall be completed by listing the filling materials and percentages. The description of the filling materials will be by the true generic name, grade, description term, or definitions of the filling material as accepted and approved by the states with registration requirements. When more than one type of filling material is used, the percent by weight of each material shall be listed in order of their predominance. Federal fiber tolerance standards are applicable. In the case of non-down filled articles, any fiber or groups of individual fiber present in an amount of less than 5% by weight of the total fiber content may be designated only as "other fiber" or "other fibers."
- C) <u>REGISTRATION NUMBER</u> Left aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown and will be completed by listing Uniform Registry Number (URN).
  - i. Import Products: Use the URN listed on the purchase order.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use URN assigned to vendor.
- D) <u>CERTIFICATION</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. Exact verbiage required as shown.

- E) <u>COMPANY</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. The phrase "MADE FOR" or "MADE BY" shall be bold print and in all caps. The company name and full address can be in lower case. Exact verbiage required as shown.
  - i. Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., 7707 SW 44th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73179. Listing any other company name including, Endless Possibilities, Mardel, trade names, etc., is not allowed unless approved by Product Quality and Compliance.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE BY" with the domestic vendor company information and full address or "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby or Mardel company information and full address.
- F) OTHER INFORMATION Left aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. The phrase "MADE IN" shall be center aligned, bold print and in all caps. Complete section by listing the finished size in U.S. and Metric terms, Federal Registration Number and country of origin.
  - i. Import Products: Use the Federal Registration Number listed on the purchase order.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use Federal Registration Number assigned to vendor.

# CALIFORNIA FURNITURE LAW LABEL CONTENT

Refer to the California furniture law label example for each point.

- G) <u>TB117-2013 STATEMENT</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown. The TB117-2013 statement shall precede the SB1019 statement.
- H) <u>SB1019 STATEMENT</u> Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height. Exact verbiage required as shown. The label shall indicate the absence or presence of added flame retardant chemicals by marking an "X" in the appropriate blank.

#### **CPSC FURNITURE LAW LABEL CONTENT**

Refer to the CPSC furniture law label example for each point.

I) <u>CPSC STATEMENT</u> – Center aligned, minimum type size 1/8\* inch in height, all bold print, and all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown.

# **FURNITURE LAW LABEL PLACEMENT**

- Furniture law labels will be securely attached to the product and visible to the consumer at the time of purchase. The law labels shall be sewn onto the product when feasible. When necessary, the law labels can be securely attached to the product with multiple staples. If the labels are not visible at the time of purchase, it is required to be printed on the packaging/labeling in full size using a white background and black type, meeting all content and type requirements.
- When the furniture law labels are sewn-in, the labels will be attached at the top of the stitch line and cannot be folded over and attached at both ends.
- Standard Label: The furniture law label must always remain on top of any stacked labels. No other label shall be placed on top of the furniture law label, even if the secondary label is smaller.
- California Label: The TB117-2013 and SB1019 statements may be printed:
  - Option 1: At the bottom of the standard furniture law label
  - Option 2: On a separate law label
  - Option 3: To the right of the standard furniture law label
- CPSC Label: The CPSC statement shall be printed below the California labeling section.

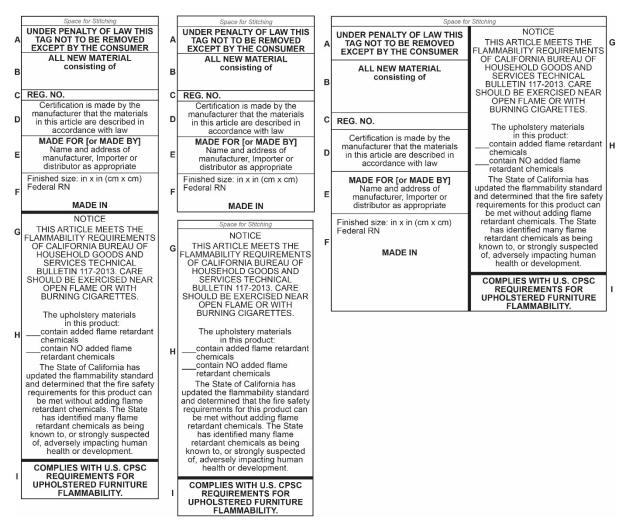
### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Any furniture product that has cushions that are or become detached from the main product have additional requirements that will require further assistance from Product Quality and Compliance.
- To ensure the labels meet compliance regarding the content, label size, label material type, font size, etc., a
  finished product with all furniture law labels are required to be submitted to the testing lab for review and
  approval. Product Quality and Compliance cannot approve this type of label.
- The furniture law label cannot contain the fiber content or care and use instructions. A separate sewn-in label that includes the fiber content and care and use instructions is required. Refer to the Fiber Content and Care and Use Labeling Requirements.
- The SKU, purchase order number and/or Retail Price are not allowed to be present on the front or back of these regulatory labels. If needed, this information can be applied to the product on a separate label.
- The date of delivery is no longer required, but is acceptable to be listed in the other information section (F).

 Additional information not addressed within this guideline cannot be added without approval from Product Quality and Compliance.

# **FURNITURE LAW LABEL EXAMPLES**

Labels not shown to scale



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# PLUSH LAW LABEL REQUIREMENTS

#### PRODUCTS COVERED

Stuffed Toys, Decorative Stuffed Plush, Stuffed Ornaments

#### INTRODUCTION

Any product appealing to or intended for use by children, infants or pets as a plaything which is filled with or contains any fiber, non-fiber or other regulated stuffing material requires a plush law label. Plush law labels are enforced at the state level for applicable products sold within the states. Refer to the states with law label registration for exclusions to the regulations.

#### PLUSH LAW LABEL FORMAT

- The label material shall be Tyvek, Valeron, Vellum cloth or a material of comparable quality, that shall not tear or flake when abraded.
- Permanent ink is required for printing the label. All printing shall be in the English Language.
- The print color shall contrast against the label color.
- The size of the label shall be large enough to easily read.
- All required information will be in type or lettering of equal size and shall appear in immediate proximity to each other.

#### PLUSH LAW LABEL CONTENT

Refer to the plush law label example for each point.

- A) <u>MATERIAL STATEMENT</u> Front of label in all caps. A statement that all new material was used to manufacture the product. Exact verbiage required as shown.
- B) <u>FILLING MATERIALS</u> Front of label. List the type of fiber, non-fiber and/or stiffening filling materials used inside the product. Types of filling materials may include but are not limited to polyester fiber, polyurethane foam, plastic pellets, polystyrene foam beads, sand, gravel, rice, beans, wire, plastic, wood, cardboard, etc.
- C) <u>REGISTRATION NUMBER</u> Front of label in all caps. Exact verbiage required as shown and will be completed by listing Uniform Registry Number (URN).
  - i. Import Products: Use the URN listed on the purchase order.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Domestic vendors will use URN assigned to vendor.
- D) COUNTRY OF ORIGIN Front of label. List the country where the product was manufactured.
- E) <u>COMPANY</u> Back of label. The phrase "MADE FOR" or "MADE BY" shall be in all caps. The company name and full address can be in lower case. Exact verbiage required as shown.
  - i. Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., 7707 SW 44th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73179 or Renewing Minds, 7727 SW 44th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73179. Listing any other company name including, Endless Possibilities, trade names, etc., is not allowed unless approved by Product Quality and Compliance.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Complete by listing "MADE BY" with the domestic vendor company information and full address or "MADE FOR" with Hobby Lobby or Mardel company information and full address.
- F) <u>OTHER INFORMATION</u> Back of label. Additional product information can be listed such as permanent children's tracking, age grade, etc.
  - Import Products: Complete by listing the children's tracking consisting of the company name purchase order number; HOBBY LOBBY XXXXXXX or MARDEL XXXXXXX.
  - ii. Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Additional information can be added at the vendor's discretion.

# PLUSH LAW LABEL PLACEMENT

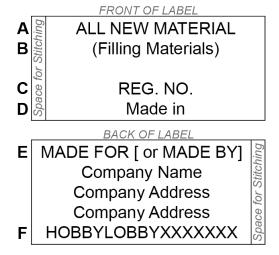
- The plush law label shall be securely sewn onto the product and visible to the consumer at the time of purchase. If the label is not visible at the time of purchase, it is required to be printed on the packaging/labeling.
- If information is added to the back of the plush law label, the label will be attached to the product at one end so the reverse side is accessible.

# **PLUSH LAW - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Non-fiber filling materials such as plastic pellets, polystyrene foam beads, sand, gravel, rice, beans, and any
  other similar type of fillers are to be inner-bagged and listed on the law label.
- If the product contains wire, plastic, wood, cardboard or any other type of stiffeners, they will be listed on the plush law label.
- To ensure the label meets compliance regarding the content, label size, label material type, etc., a finished product with the plush law label is required to be submitted to the testing lab for review and approval. Product Quality and Compliance cannot approve this type of label.
- Additional information not addressed within this guideline cannot be added with approval from Product Quality and Compliance.

# PLUSH LAW LABEL EXAMPLE

Label not shown to scale



# FIBER CONTENT LABEL REQUIREMENTS

#### PRODUCTS COVERED

Textile: Apparel, Aprons, Scarves, Bolt Fabric, Pillows, Pillow Covers, Blankets, Quilts, Curtains, Tablecloths, Placemats, Towels, Rugs, Tree Skirts, Umbrellas, Flags\*, Etc.

#### INTRODUCTION

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) enforces the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act, which requires certain textiles sold in the United States be labeled with disclosures of the generic names and percentages by weight of the fibers in the product, the manufacturer or other responsible company name, and the country where the product was processed or manufactured.

In general, most apparel and textile products commonly used in a household are covered by the labeling requirements. Each textile fiber product, except those exempted or excluded shall be labeled in conformity with the requirements of the Textile Act and regulations. To see a complete list of textile products included and excluded from labeling, refer to the following FTC link, Threading Your Way Through the Labeling Requirements Under the Textile and Wool Acts.

#### FIBER CONTENT LABEL FORMAT

- The size of the label shall be large enough to easily read.
- Permanent ink is required for printing the label. All printing shall be in the English language.
- The print color shall contrast against the label color.
- All required information will be in type or lettering of equal size and shall appear in immediate proximity to each other.

#### FIBER CONTENT LABEL CONTENT

Refer to the fiber content label example for each point.

- <u>COUNTRY OF ORIGIN</u> Front of label. Products covered by the Textile and Wool Acts must be labeled to show the country of origin.
  - IMPORTED PRODUCTS / ABROAD MATERIALS: Imported products shall identify the country where the products were processed or manufactured.
  - U.S. MANUFACTURED / U.S. MATERIALS: Products made entirely in the U.S. of materials also made in the U.S. will be labeled "Made in U.S.A." or an equivalent phrase.
  - U.S. MANUFACTURED / IMPORTED MATERIALS: Products made in the U.S. of imported materials
    will be labeled to show the processing or manufacturing that takes place in the U.S., as well as the
    imported component.
  - U.S. AND ABROAD MANUFACTURED / U.S. AND ABROAD MATERIALS: Products manufactured
    partly in the U.S. and partly abroad will identify both aspects.
- <u>FIBER CONTENT</u> Front or back of label. The description of the fibers shall be listed by the true generic name and percentages.
  - FIBER DISCLOSURE: Both natural and man-made fibers will be identified by their generic names. The FTC will allow the generic fiber names for manufactured fibers contained in the International Organization for Standardization standard, ISO 2076:2010(E).
    - The fiber disclosure requirement applies only to fibers in yarns, fabrics, apparel and other household products. If part of the product is made from a non-fibrous material—such as plastic, glass, wood, paint, metal or leather—it does not have to be included on the label. That includes the contents of zippers, buttons, beads, sequins, leather patches, painted designs, or any other parts that are not made from fiber, yarn, or fabric. Refer to the Textile Act for specifics.
    - Additional exceptions to the fiber disclosure requirement include various forms of trimmings, ornamentation and linings and interlinings. Refer to the Textile Act for specifics.
  - PERCENTAGE: Preceding fiber content. When more than one kind of fiber is used, the percent by weight of each, rounded to the nearest whole number, shall be listed in order of their predominance. Any fiber or groups of individual fiber present in an amount of less than 5% by weight of the total fiber content may be designated only as "other fiber" or "other fibers."
    - There is a 3% tolerance for fiber content claims. This tolerance allows for a small amount of unintended inconsistency in the manufacturing process.
    - Exceptions to the 5% rule: It is acceptable to state the name and percentage of a fiber that
      is less than 5% of the product, if the fiber has a definite functional significance at that
      amount. For example, Spandex used for elasticity or nylon used for durability, etc.

- SECTIONAL DISCLOSURE: Front or back of label. If a product has separate sections with different fiber compositions, the content of each section should be identified separately on the label. Where ornamentation or trim forms a distinct section of the product, and is present in a quantity that doesn't exempt it from fiber disclosure, disclose the fiber in a separate section. Sectional disclosure is required if necessary to avoid deception. As a general practice, where garments or other products are divided into distinct sections made of different fibers, use sectional disclosure so the information is clear to consumers. Refer to the Textile Act for specifics.
- <u>COMPANY INFORMATION OR REGISTRATION NUMBER (RN)</u> Front or back of label. The company name and/or the Registered Identification Number (RN) of the manufacturer, importer, or another firm marketing, distributing or otherwise handling the product is required to be listed on the label.
  - Import Products: Complete by listing Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., Mardel or a registered trade name along with the RN listed on the purchase order.
  - Domestic/Domestic Import Products: Complete by listing the domestic vendor's company information or RN.

#### FIBER CONTENT LABEL PLACEMENT

- The fiber content label shall be securely sewn onto the product and will appear in a conspicuous and readily accessible location to the consumer at the time of purchase. If the label is not visible at the time of purchase, it is required to be printed on the packaging/labeling.
  - Bolt/Roll Fabric: Bolt or Roll will be labeled.
  - o Products sold in pairs made of the same fiber content require only one part of the pair to be labeled.
  - o Refer to the Textile Act for special exceptions and requirements on certain product types.
- The fiber content label must always remain on top of any stacked labels. No other label shall be placed on top of the fiber content label, even if the secondary label is smaller.
- If any information is added to the back of a label, the label will be attached to the product at one end so the reverse side is accessible.

# FIBER CONTENT - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Any product that contains wool or premium cottons have additional requirements that will require further assistance from Product Quality and Compliance.
- Weights and Measures information, such as finished size, textile apparel sizing, etc., can be added to the label as needed.
- To ensure the label meets compliance regarding the content, label material type, etc., a finished product with
  the fiber content label is required to be submitted to the testing lab for review and approval. Product Quality
  and Compliance cannot approve this type of label.
- Additional information not addressed within this guideline cannot be added without approval from Product Quality and Compliance.

# FIBER CONTENT LABEL EXAMPLES

Labels not shown to scale

Example 1
FRONT OF LABEL

55% Polyester
45% Cotton

Made in China
Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc.
RN 129386

Example 2
FRONT OF LABEL

Inner Shell:100% Delve

Inner Shell:100% Polyester Outer Shell:100% Polyester Exclusive of Decoration

Made in China Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

# Example 3

FRONT OF LABEL

55% Polyester 45% Cotton

Made in China Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

<sup>\*</sup>Flags with heading or bigger than 216 square inches are applicable to the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act.

# **CARE & USE LABEL REQUIREMENTS**

#### PRODUCTS COVERED

Textile: Apparel, Aprons, Scarves, Bolt Fabric, Pillows, Pillow Covers, Blankets, Quilts, Curtains, Tablecloths, Placemats, Towels, Rugs, Christmas Stockings, Tree Skirts, Umbrellas, Flags\*, Etc.

#### INTRODUCTION

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) enforces the Care and Labeling Rule, which requires textile wearing apparel, certain piece goods and textile products sold in the United States be labeled with regular care instructions, or provide warnings if the product cannot be cleaned without harm.

In general, most textile wearing apparel, certain piece goods and textile products are covered by the labeling requirements. Each textile product, except those exempted or excluded, shall be labeled in conformity with the requirements of the Care and Labeling Rule. To see a complete list of textile products included and excluded from labeling, refer to the following FTC links, <u>Care Labeling of Textile Wearing Apparel & Certain Piece Goods</u> and <u>Clothes Captioning</u>: Complying with the Care Labeling Rule.

Each textile category is defined as follows:

- Textile Wearing Apparel any finished garment or article of clothing made from a textile product that is customarily used to cover or protect any part of the body.
- Certain Piece Goods textile products sold by the piece from bolts or rolls for the purpose of making home sewn textile wearing apparel.
- Textile Product any commodity, woven, knit or otherwise made primarily of fiber, yarn or fabric requiring care and maintenance to achieve ordinary use and enjoyment.

#### **CARE & USE LABEL FORMAT**

- The size of the label shall be large enough to easily read.
- Permanent ink is required for printing the label. All printing shall be in the English Language.
- The print color shall contrast against the label color.
- All required information shall be in type or lettering of equal size and shall appear in immediate proximity to each other.

#### **CARE & USE LABEL CONTENT**

Refer to the care and use label example for each point.

- WRITING CARE INSTRUCTIONS Care labels will state what regular care is needed for the ordinary use of
  the product. In general, products will have either washing or dry cleaning instruction. If either washing or dry
  cleaning can be used on the product, the label requires only one of these instructions. If the product cannot
  be cleaned by any available cleaning method without being harmed, the label shall state, "Do not wash do
  not dry clean." Reasonable basis and reliable evidence to support all care instructions and warnings is
  required.
- WASHING INSTRUCTIONS: FIVE ELEMENTS The instructions for washing are to be listed on the label in
  the following order of use. The absence of a washing instruction element implies that a product can be treated
  using the harshest method available. Terminology set forth in the Care and Labeling Rule shall be utilized for
  each element.
  - WASHING: The label will state the proper wash method and water temperature.
    - Hand Wash or Machine Wash
    - If the regular use of hot water up to 145°F (63°C) will not harm the product, listing a water temperature is optional.
  - BLEACHING: The label will state the proper bleaching method.
    - If regular use of chlorine bleach will harm the product, but non-chlorine bleach will not, the label will state, "Only non-chlorine bleach, when needed."
    - If all commercially available bleaches will harm the product when used on a regular basis, the label will state, "No bleach" or "Do not bleach."
    - If all commercially available bleaches will not harm the product, listing a bleach method is not needed.
  - DRYING: The label will state the proper drying method and temperature when machine drying.
    - Air Dry or Machine Dry
    - If machine dry, list a drying temperature. However, the regular use of high temperature drying will not harm the product, listing a temperature is optional.

- IRONING: The label will state the ability to iron along with the temperature and method when ironing.
  - If ironing is necessary, list an ironing temperature and/or method. If the regular use of high temperature ironing will not harm the product, listing a temperature is optional.
  - If ironing will harm the product, the label will state, "Do not iron."
- WARNINGS: If it is reasonably expected that any washing procedure known to harm the product and/or other products being washed with it in one or more washings will be used, the label will list a warning.
  - To warn against a harmful procedure, the label will state, "Do not...", "No...", "Only..."
  - Other warnings include, "Wash with like colors", "Wash separately", "Wash before wearing", etc.
  - Warnings are not necessary for alternative procedures present on the label. For example, if the label states "Dry flat", it is not necessary to state "Do not tumble dry".
- <u>DRY CLEANING</u> The instructions for dry cleaning are to be listed on the label when a product requires dry cleaning care only but can also be listed along with applicable washing instructions if desired. Terminology set forth in the Care and Labeling Rule will be utilized for necessary dry cleaning procedures as needed.
  - SIMPLE INSTRUCTION: The simple "Dry clean" instruction can be used under two conditions:
    - If all commercially available types of solvents will not harm the product when used.
    - If the dry cleaning process, as defined in the Rule, can be used without modifications and will not harm the product when used.
  - MODIFIED INSTRUCTION: If any part of the dry cleaning process would harm the product, the label will include "Professionally dry clean..." with the warning and/or modification statement necessary to make the process safe.
    - To warn against a harmful dry clean procedure, the label will include, "Do not...", "No...", "Only..." For example, if steam would harm the product, the label will state, "Professionally dry clean. No Steam."
    - If a modification to the dry cleaning process is necessary, the label will state what is acceptable. For example, if any solvent would harm the product, the label will state a safe solvent that can be used, "Professionally dry clean, fluorocarbon."
- <u>CARE SYMBOLS</u> Care symbols are optional and can be used in addition to text instructions but not used in lieu of text instructions. If care symbols are used, they shall be in accordance to the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard D5489, Standard Guide for Care Symbols for Care Instructions on Textile Products.

#### **CARE & USE LABEL PLACEMENT**

- The care and use label shall be permanently attached and legible for the life of the garment.
- The care and use label shall be securely sewn onto the product and will appear in a conspicuous and readily accessible location to the consumer at the time of purchase. If the label is not visible at the time of purchase, it is required to be printed on the packaging/labeling.
  - o Textile Wearing Apparel: Sewn-in label
  - o Certain Piece Goods: Bolt or Roll shall be labeled
  - o Textile Product: Sewn-in label
  - o Products sold in pairs made of the same fiber content require only one part of the pair to be labeled.
  - Refer to the Care and Labeling Rule for special exceptions and requirements on certain product types.
- The care and use label can be added to the back of the sewn-in fiber content label or a separate sewn-in label can be attached to the product.
- If any information is added to the back of a label, the label will be attached to the product at one end so the
  reverse side is accessible.

# **CARE & USE - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Weights and Measures information, such as finished size, textile apparel sizing, etc., can be added to the label as needed.
- To ensure the label meets compliance regarding the content, label material type, etc., a finished product with the care and use label is required to be submitted to the lab for review and approval. Product Quality and Compliance cannot approve this type of label.
- Additional information not addressed within this guideline cannot be added without approval from Product Quality and Compliance.

# **CARE & USE LABEL EXAMPLE**

Labels not shown to scale

#### Example 1

FRONT OF LABEL

# **SMALL**

55% Polyester 45% Cotton

Made in China Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

BACK OF LABEL

Machine Wash Warm

Do Not Bleach

**Tumble Dry Medium** 

Warm Iron

# Example 2

Space 1

for

Space 1

FRONT OF LABEL

55% Polyester 45% Cotton

Made in China Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

**SMALL** 

BACK OF LABEL

for

Example 3

FRONT OF LABEL

Inner Shell:100% Polyester Outer Shell:100% Polyester **Exclusive of Decoration** Space for

Made in China

BACK OF LABEL

Machine Wash Warm Do Not Bleach Tumble Dry Medium Warm Iron

Inner Shell: Spot Clean Outer Shell: Spot Clean

Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

for

#### Example 4

Example 5 FRONT OF LABEL

Space for Stitching

**SMALL** 

LOGO / TRADE NAME

Made in China

FRONT OF LABEL

Space for Stitching 55% Polyester 45% Cotton Machine Wash Warm Do Not Bleach Tumble Dry Medium

Made in China Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

Warm Iron

**SMALL** 

BACK OF LABEL

55% Polvester 45% Cotton Machine Wash Warm Do Not Bleach Tumble Dry Medium Warm Iron



RN 129386

Space for Stitching

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# **CARPET & RUG LABEL REQUIREMENTS**

#### PRODUCTS COVERED

Carpets, Rugs

#### INTRODUCTION

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) mandates that carpets and rugs comply with flammability standards. All carpets and rugs manufactured, imported, or sold in the United States must meet the flammability requirements outlined in the standards. The standards for the Surface Flammability of Carpets and Rugs are 16 CFR Part 1630 and 1631. Specific labeling may be required based on product size and/or if chemical fire retardants are present.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) enforces the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act and Care and Labeling Rule that is applicable to carpets and rugs. Refer to the Fiber Content and Care and Use Labeling Requirements.

# A Carpet or Rug is defined as follows:

- A carpet or rug (large) is a finished fabric or similar product intended to be used as a floor covering and has dimensions of more than 6 feet long and an area greater than 24 square feet. This definition also includes "carpet squares" intended to be installed in dimensions of more than 6 feet long and an area greater than 24 square feet. This definition excludes resilient floor coverings, such as linoleum and vinyl tile.
- A small carpet or rug is the same as the definition above but has no dimension more than 6 feet long and an area not greater than 24 square feet.

#### **CARPET & RUG LABEL FORMAT**

- If a sewn-in label is used, the label material shall be Tyvek, Valeron, Vellum cloth or a material of comparable quality, that shall not tear or flake when abraded.
- If a sticker label is used, the label is required to be high-adhesive, which shall not be easily removed.
- Permanent ink is required for printing the label. All printing shall be in the English Language. The print color shall contrast against the label color.
- The size of the label shall be large enough to easily read.
- All required information will be in type or lettering of equal size and shall appear in immediate proximity to each other.

# **CARPET & RUG LABEL CONTENT**

- <u>FIBER CONTENT LABEL</u> Refer to the Fiber Content Label Requirements.
- CARE & USE LABEL Refer to the Care and Use Label Requirements.
- <u>FIRE-RETARDANT INDICATOR</u> Front or back of label, bold print, capital letter, inside a circle. Indicator marking consisting of the letter "T" is only required on carpets and rugs that have had a fire-retardant treatment or is made of fibers that have had a fire-retardant treatment. The "T" should be listed inside a circle to separate it from other information. Refer to example 1.
- <u>SMALL CARPET & RUG FLAMMABILITY STATEMENT</u> Front or back of label and in all caps. A statement is required on small carpets and rugs that do not meet the flammability standard. Exact verbiage required as shown in label example 4.

# **CARPET & RUG LABEL PLACEMENT**

- A carpet or rug will be permanently labeled and visible to the consumer at the time of purchase. If the label is not visible at the time of purchase, the label is required to be printed on the packaging/labeling.
- The small carpet and rug flammability statement can be added to the back or bottom of the sewn-in fiber content label or attached as a separate label in immediate proximity to other permanent labels.
  - If sewn-in, the label shall only be attached at the top of the stitch line and shall not be folded over and attached at both ends.
- If any information is added to the back of a label, the label will be attached to the product at one end so the reverse side is accessible.

# **CARPET & RUG LABEL EXAMPLES**

Labels not to scale

# Example 1

Stitching

for

Space

FRONT OF LABEL

29 x 45in (74 x 114 cm)

Face: 100% Polyester Back: 100% Cotton

Made in China
Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc.
RN 129386

BACK OF LABEL

Machine Wash Warm
Do Not Bleach
Tumble Dry Medium
Do Not Iron



# Example 2

for Stitching

Space

for Stitching

Space

FRONT OF LABEL

29 x 45in (74 x 114 cm)

Face: 100% Polyester Back: 100% Cotton

Made in China Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

BACK OF LABEL

Spot Clean

FLAMMABLE (FAILS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STANDARD FF 2-70): SHOULD NOT BE USED NEAR SOURCES OF IGNITION. pace for Stitchin

# Example 3

FRONT OF LABEL

29 x 45in (74 x 114 cm)

Face: 100% Polyester Back: 100% Cotton

Spot Clean

Made in China Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc. RN 129386

FLAMMABLE (FAILS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STANDARD FF 2-70): SHOULD NOT BE USED NEAR SOURCES OF IGNITION.

# Example 4

FRONT OF LABEL

Space for Stitching

FLAMMABLE (FAILS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STANDARD FF 2-70): SHOULD NOT BE USED NEAR SOURCES OF IGNITION.