AUTO CARE ASSOCIATION | STATE PFAS COMPLIANCE SERIES

Minnesota PFAS Compliance

Minn. Stat. 116.943 (Amara's Law). Cleaning products, including automotive maintenance products, banned since January 1, 2025; reporting through PRISM



WHAT IS PFAS?

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a class of fluorinated organic chemicals containing at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom. Minnesota regulates products with **intentionally added** PFAS: PFAS deliberately added during manufacture where their continued presence is desired to perform a function in the product or a component.

WHO MUST COMPLY

Manufacturers report and are responsible for the bans. Manufacturer means the person that makes the product, has it made under its brand, or, for imports, the importer or first domestic distributor if the maker or brand owner has no U.S. presence. The law covers products for personal, residential, commercial, or industrial use, including products sold only online. A seller may not sell a product whose manufacturer failed to report once it has been notified.

KEY DATES AND SALES BANS

Date	What happens
Jan 1, 2025	Banned: carpets or rugs, cleaning products, cookware, cosmetics, dental floss, fabric treatments, juvenile products, menstruation products, textile furnishings, ski wax, upholstered furniture
Sept 15, 2026	Initial reports were due (passed)
Nov 14, 2026	Waiver requests due from manufacturers granted an extension
Dec 14, 2026	Reports due from manufacturers granted an extension
Feb 1, yearly	Annual updates for new information, changed products, or new products
Jan 1, 2032	All products with intentionally added PFAS banned unless the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) designates a currently unavoidable use (CUU) by rule

WHAT TO REPORT

One report per product or component with intentionally added PFAS, filed in the PFAS Product Reporting Information System (PRISM):

- Product description with UPC, SKU, or other code
- Purpose of the PFAS in the product
- Amount of each PFAS by CAS number
- Manufacturer and contact information
- Other information MPCA requests

Category reporting is allowed with approval. Fee: $800 one-time, per manufacturer. Products manufactured before July 1, 2023 are excluded from reporting.

AUTOMOTIVE AFTERMARKET PRODUCTS IN SCOPE

- **Automotive maintenance products, banned since Jan 1, 2025:** cleaning products include products labeled to maintain a motor vehicle's appearance, such as washing, waxing, or cleaning. Automotive paint and paint repair products are excluded. The 2025 categories cannot be approved as a CUU.
- **Fabric treatments and carpets or rugs, banned since Jan 1, 2025:** aftermarket fabric and upholstery protectants and floor mats may fall in these categories; confirm against the definitions.
- **Internal components:** the 2025 bans do not apply where PFAS is only in electronic or internal components. Those products are still reportable.
- **All products:** any aftermarket product or component with intentionally added PFAS must be reported unless exempt. There is no motor vehicle exemption.
- **Refrigerants:** Minnesota has no refrigerant or SNAP exemption from reporting or the 2032 ban.
- **Jan 1, 2032 ban:** all other aftermarket products with intentionally added PFAS, unless approved as a CUU.

EXEMPTIONS

Exemptions (116.943, subd. 8)

- Products where federal law governs PFAS in a way that preempts state authority
- Sale or resale of used products. Unused products that are returned and resold are not exempt
- Products regulated under Minn. Stat. 325F.072 or 325F.075
- FDA-regulated medical devices, drugs, prosthetics, and orthotics are exempt from the bans and testing provisions

Extensions, waivers, and testing

- **Waiver:** available where substantially equivalent information is already public and verifiable. It does not change annual updates.
- **Testing:** if MPCA believes a product has intentionally added PFAS, it may require test results within 30 days, and a certificate of compliance if none is found.
- **Seller notice:** manufacturers must notify sellers of prohibited products and send MPCA the list of those notified.

HOW TO COMPLY

Manufacturers and suppliers

- Confirm which products or components contain intentionally added PFAS
- Report in PRISM by your deadline and pay the $800 fee
- File annual updates by Feb 1
- Pull banned cleaning, appearance, and protectant products from Minnesota
- Plan for 2032; track MPCA CUU rulemaking

Distributors

- Stop distributing products banned since Jan 1, 2025
- Act on notices that a manufacturer failed to report or a product is prohibited
- Ask suppliers to confirm PFAS status and reporting

Retailers

- Stop selling products banned since Jan 1, 2025, including online
- Act on notices that a manufacturer failed to report or a product is prohibited
- Ask suppliers to confirm PFAS status and reporting

RESOURCES

Minn. Stat. 116.943 (statute) | MPCA reporting PFAS in products | PRISM reporting system
Agency questions: pfasreporting.mpca@state.mn.us | Association questions: govaffairs@autocare.org

Current as of November 13, 2026. For awareness only, not legal advice. Confirm obligations with MPCA or your counsel.