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Notice to Retailers

Beginning June 2, 2009, Oregon law prohibits the sale, manufacturing, importing or distribution of novelty (toylike) lighters within the state of Oregon. We are providing this information so you may take appropriate action to ensure you do not sell or have any inventory of novelty lighters as of June 2, 2009.

A novelty (toylike) lighter looks like a toy and has audio or visual effects or a design that makes the lighter appealing to a child under the age of 10.

Audio effects includes music, animal sounds, whistles, buzzers, beepers or other noises not pertinent to the flame-producing function of the lighter.

Visual effects includes flashing lights, color changing lights and changing images.

Novelty lighters include lighters of misleading design that resemble or imitate:

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| Cartoon characters | Toys or Games |
| Musical Instruments | Vehicles |
| Animals | Human Body Parts |
| Weaponry | Furniture |
| Sports Equipment | Holiday decorations |
| Tools | Household products |
| Food or beverages | Food or beverage packages |

Full text of House Bill 2365 with a complete definition of a novelty lighter and civil penalties for non-compliance is available on the website at www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM.

Lighters that include logos, decals, decorative artwork or heat-shrinkable sleeves are excluded from this statute.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (503) 373-1540, ext. 264.

Sincerely,

Anita Phillips

Anita Phillips, Manager
License and Permit Services

Lighters pictured are examples of prohibited novelty lighters.

