MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 010
Series of 2016

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION ON THE PROHIBITION OF PAINTS WITH LEAD AND LEAD COMPOUNDS USED FOR CHILDREN'S TOYS AND RELATED PRODUCTS

Pursuant to Republic Act 6969 otherwise known as "Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Waste Control Act of 1990 and DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 29 Series of 1992 (Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act 6969), this Circular is hereby issued to provide clarification in the implementation of the CCO for Lead and Lead Compounds (DAO 2013-24), particularly in the use of Lead and Lead compounds in the production and manufacture of paints being used for children's toys and related products.

1. The manufacture, processing, sale, distribution and use of paints with more than 90 ppm of Lead and Lead compounds in the production and manufacture of toys and related products shall be prohibited after December 31, 2016.

2. The importation of finished products, referring to toys and related products is under the regulatory function of the Food and Drug Administration pursuant to Memorandum No. 2013-058, "Guidelines on the Manual Notification of Toys and Childcare Articles (CCAs)" and Bureau of Product Standard using PNS/BHDT ISO 8124 Part 1 to 4 relating to Safety of Toys.

3. Toys and related products that may be found in household, schools, parks, playgrounds, public building, daycare center, hospitals and other areas where children's exposure may be at risk, are referred to as follows:
   - Home furnishings and fixtures – cribs, chairs, tables, shelves, walkers, strollers, beds, decorative materials and embellishments for children's use
   - Indoor / Outdoor Playground equipment – slides, swings, seesaws, play pens, play houses
   - Board games intended for children
   - Art materials /science kits and crafts – watercolors, crayons, modeling clay, color papers
   - Children’s books and reference materials
   - Children’s accessories
   - Electronic Gadgets
   - Other children’s products

For guidance.

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