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CPSIA Compliance Checklist

for US Golf Apparel Brands

Everything you need to verify before your custom golf apparel enters the US market — from CPSIA lead testing to Prop 65, FTC labeling, and Amazon FBA packaging requirements.

50 ppm

Complete Lead Retention

50 States

DDP Delivery Coverage

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This checklist is provided as a guide. Always consult your compliance team and/or legal counsel for your specific product requirements.

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1. CPSIA — Lead & Phthalate Testing

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) sets strict limits for lead content and phthalates in children's products and apparel. All components — fabric, buttons, zippers, prints, and embellishments — must be tested by a CPSC-accepted third-party lab.

Lead Content (CPSIA Section 101)

- Total lead content in surface coatings < 90 ppm**
Test report from SGS, Intertek, or Bureau Veritas required. Applies to all printed and dyed areas, including screen-printed logos.
- Total lead content in substrate materials < 100 ppm**
For children's products. Adult apparel has no substrate limit but retailers like Target and Walmart often require it.
- Lead in accessible component parts tested per 16 CFR 1303**
Snaps, buttons, zipper pulls, rivets, and any metal trim components.

Phthalates (CPSIA Section 108)

- DEHP, DBP, BBP < 0.1% each**
Applicable to children's products (ages 12 and under) and any plasticized components.
- DINP, DIDP, DnOP < 0.1% each**
Interim ban on these phthalates for children's toys and child care articles. Relevant for junior golf apparel.
- Phthalate test report for all flexible plastic components**
Heat-transfer labels, rubberized prints, elastic bands, and synthetic trim pieces.

Testing Frequency

- Annual re-certification testing scheduled**
CPSIA requires periodic testing based on production volume. Set a calendar reminder for annual testing renewal.
- Production testing plan for material/component changes**
Any change to fabric suppliers, dye formulations, or trim vendors triggers re-testing requirements.

2. PFAS-Free Certification

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are increasingly regulated across US states. Starting January 2025, California AB 1817 requires PFAS disclosure for apparel. New York and other states have similar legislation in progress. Major retailers including REI, Nordstrom, and Dick's Sporting Goods now require PFAS-free documentation.

- Total organic fluorine screening completed**
BS EN 14582 or ASTM D7358 total fluorine test. Target: non-detect or < 100 ppm total fluorine as a practical threshold.
- DWR finishes verified as PFAS-free**
If using water-repellent finishes, confirm C0 DWR (fluorocarbon-free) or Bluesign-approved alternatives. Request PFAS-free certificate from chemical supplier.
- PFAS-free supply chain declaration on file**
Written confirmation from all textile mills, dye houses, and finishing facilities that PFAS chemicals are not used in your production line.
- California AB 1817 compliance documentation**
Certificate of Compliance for PFAS restrictions. Covers all apparel sold in California starting 2025.
- Retailer-specific PFAS forms completed**
Nordstrom Restricted Substance List (RSL), REI Product Impact Standards, and other US retailer chemical policies.

3. FTC Textile Labeling Requirements

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) enforces the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act. Every garment sold in the US must carry a label with fiber content, country of origin, and manufacturer/dealer identity. Penalties for non-compliance can reach \$50,120 per violation.

- Fiber content by percentage listed (e.g., 92% Polyester / 8% Spandex)**
Generic fiber names required per 16 CFR Part 303. List fibers in descending order of weight. $\pm 3\%$ tolerance on fiber percentages.
- Country of origin clearly marked (Made in China)**
Required on the same label as fiber content. Font size proportional to label dimensions. Must be in English.
- RN (Registered Identification Number) on file or applied for**
FTC RN number links the garment to your brand for consumer traceability. Apply at [ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov) (free). LeelineWear can register yours as part of production setup.
- Care instructions per FTC Care Labeling Rule (16 CFR Part 423)**
Include washing, bleaching, drying, and ironing instructions. Use ASTM care symbols with English text. Fastness tested to ISO 105-C06 for wash, ISO 105-X12 for crocking.
- Label permanently affixed and accessible to consumer**
Sewn-in label or heat-transfer neck label with durable print. Must remain legible for the useful life of the garment.
- Multi-language label option reviewed with buyer**

Not required by FTC but expected by some US retailers. Keep primary compliance information in English.

4. California Proposition 65

Proposition 65 requires warning labels for products containing chemicals on the California OEHHA list. For golf apparel, the most common Prop 65 chemicals of concern are lead, phthalates, and certain azo dyes. Compliance is especially important for brands selling on Amazon, which enforces Prop 65 warnings on the platform.

Prop 65 chemical screening completed on final product

Test for lead, cadmium, phthalates (6 types), and azo amines. Compare results against OEHHA Safe Harbor levels.

Prop 65 warning label designed if applicable

"WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals including [name], which is known to the State of California to cause [cancer/birth defects]" — if trigger chemicals are present above safe harbor levels.

Amazon Prop 65 compliance verified

Amazon requires Prop 65 warnings in the product listing attributes if applicable. Our FBA prep team can assist with documentation.

Retail buyer Prop 65 disclosure forms prepared

Some US retailers require a separate Prop 65 compliance form as part of vendor onboarding. Have documentation ready before buyer meetings.

5. Flammability — 16 CFR Part 1610

All apparel sold in the US must comply with flammability standards under the Flammable Fabrics Act. Standard test method is 16 CFR Part 1610 for clothing textiles. Most golf fabrics (polyester, nylon, cotton blends) are Class 1 (Normal Flammability) and pass without issues.

16 CFR Part 1610 flammability test completed

Class 1 (Normal Flammability) is required for general apparel. Test on finished fabric — not raw greige goods.

Flammability test report from ISO 17025 accredited lab

Include burn time, flame spread rate, and fabric weight in the test report. SGS and Intertek provide accredited Part 1610 testing.

Special consideration for raised-surface fabrics

Fleece, brushed-back fabrics, and napped surfaces have a modified test protocol under Part 1610 — confirm lab tests with raised-surface method if applicable.

6. Children's Product Certificate (CPC)

If your golf apparel line includes youth/junior sizing (children 12 and under), every product requires a Children's Product Certificate (CPC). This document certifies that the product has been tested by a CPSC-accepted lab and meets all applicable safety standards.

CPC issued for every youth/junior SKU

One CPC per product style. List all applicable safety standards: CPSIA lead, phthalates, flammability (16 CFR Part 1610).

Tracking label on every youth garment

Permanent label with: manufacturer name, date of production, batch/lot number, and location of production. Required per CPSIA Section 103.

CPC documents retained for minimum 5 years

CPSC requires retention of all CPCs, test reports, and supporting documentation. Digital archive with backup.

CPC available for Amazon and retailer verification

Amazon may request CPCs for children's product listings. US retailers like Nordstrom, REI, and Macy's require them in vendor onboarding.

7. Retail Buyer Compliance Package

This is the complete document set most US retail buyers require during supplier onboarding. LeelineWear provides all of these with every production run. Pre-fill and organize before your first buyer meeting.

- BSCI / SMETA social audit report (current within 12 months)**
Covers labor standards, working conditions, and ethical sourcing. Required by nearly all US retailers. Our BSCI audit covers our entire 20,000 sqm facility.
- OEKO-TEX Standard 100 certificate**
Confirms fabric is free from harmful substances. Accepted by all US retailers as a baseline chemical safety certification.
- SGS / Intertek CPSIA test reports**
Third-party lab reports for lead (90 ppm) and phthalates. Batch-specific or production-run-specific reports preferred by retailers.
- PFAS-free certification from fabric mill**
Document from your textile supplier confirming no PFAS chemicals in the production process.
- ISO test reports (colour fastness, shrinkage, pilling)**
ISO 105-B02 for light fastness (Grade 4+), ISO 6330 for dimensional stability, ISO 12945-2 for pilling resistance.
- FTC RN number & labeling compliance documentation**
Proof of RN registration and label compliance. Some retailers will audit your labels against 16 CFR Part 303.

8. Amazon FBA Packaging & Prep Requirements

If your golf apparel goes to Amazon FBA, these packaging requirements are non-negotiable. Non-compliance leads to rejected shipments, chargebacks, and potential account health issues.

- FNSKU barcode applied to each unit**
Unique FNSKU label per ASIN. Scannable, not obscured by packaging. White background with black barcode per Amazon spec.
- Suffocation warning poly bag for each unit**
Required for all poly-bagged apparel. Must read: "WARNING: PLASTIC BAGS CAN BE DANGEROUS. TO AVOID DANGER OF SUFFOCATION, KEEP THIS BAG AWAY FROM BABIES AND CHILDREN."
- Poly bag thickness > 1.5 mil**
Amazon requirement. Thinner bags are rejected at receiving. We use 2.0 mil bags as standard.
- Carton weight under 50 lb (ideally < 44 lb)**
Amazon single-box weight limit. Over 50 lb requires "Team Lift" labeling. We target 44 lb to avoid any processing delays.
- Carton labeling with FBA shipment ID**
Amazon-generated carton labels per the shipment plan in Seller Central. Scannable, placed on two adjacent sides.
- No frustration-free packaging override needed**
Apparel category does not require frustration-free packaging. Standard poly bag prep is acceptable.

How LeelineWear Supports Your US Compliance

We built our US compliance system to eliminate the administrative burden for our clients. Here is what you receive with every production run — included in your quote, no extra fees, no chasing documents from multiple contacts.

Third-Party Lab Testing — We track CPSIA test reports for lead (90 ppm limit) and phthalates — delivered before your container ships.

PFAS-Free Documentation — Supply chain-wide PFAS screening with Bluesign-certified DWR alternatives. Full material disclosure for retailer submission.

Children's Product Certificates — CPC issued for every youth SKU with tracking labels, batch numbers, and CPSC-compliant record retention.

FTC-Compliant Labeling — Fiber content, country of origin, care instructions, and RN number registration support. English-language labels as standard.

Prop 65 Screening — Chemical screening against OEHHA Safe Harbor levels. Warning label assistance if required.

Amazon FBA FNS — SKU labeling, suffocation-warning poly bags, 44-lb carton compliance, pallet configurations — all Amazon-ready.

Retailer Compliance Forms — Pre-filled supplier forms for Nordstrom, REI, Dick's Sporting Goods, and other major US retailers.

Record Retention — All compliance documents archived for 5+ years. Available on request for buyer audits or CPSC inquiries.

Next Steps

This checklist covers the compliance requirements for selling golf apparel in the United States. For a product-specific compliance review — including cost estimates for testing and a production timeline with compliance milestones — contact our US-focused team.

Get Your US Project Quote — Within 24 Hours

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All quotes in USD. DDP landed cost includes all duties, tariffs, customs clearance, and delivery to any US port or warehouse.

MOQ 100 pcs per style. CPSIA/PFAS compliance documentation included with every production run.