

Overview of 2014 Data Reporting for the Consumer Products Program

The California Air Resources Board's (ARB) 2014 Data Reporting for the Consumer Products Program (2014 Data Reporting) began July 1, 2015, and ends on November 1, 2015. This is the second year of a three year reporting cycle and is mandatory for all Responsible Parties that sold consumer products in California during the 2014 calendar year. This document is a overview of the new features in the reporting tool and should not be used as a substitute to reviewing the 2014 Data Reporting Instructions.

NEW: The data submittal method for the 2014 Data Reporting is facilitated by the 2014 Consumer Products Reporting Tool (CPRT2014). The CPRT2014 is a multi-tabbed Excel-based template.

New Features in the CPRT2014 and Other Reporting Information

- 1) The reporting scope is the same as 2013 data reporting (see Appendix A of 2013 Survey for a list of product categories), except that aerosol coating products and aerosol adhesive products do not need to be reported for 2014 data reporting.
- 2) The CPRT2014 has a "Change" column in the Product Information table. One of the following terms is required in this field to describe the status of EACH product in the 2014 reporting period compared to what was reported in 2013. For more information, please see the Changes to Data Table in Step 9 of the 2014 Data Reporting Steps in the CPRT2014 Instructions.
 - a. **Unchanged** means there is no change from what was reported in 2013, except for a UPC code change.
 - b. **Minor** means a product category change and/or label change in 2014.
 - c. **Major** means there is a change between 2013 and 2014 product ingredients but label remains the same. (0.5 Wt. % variation in VOC or LVP-VOC content only.)
 - d. **New** means a product was not sold in 2013, but had sales in 2014.
 - e. **Discontinued** means a product was no longer sold in California in 2014.
- 3) International users: please adjust your settings to English (American) before saving the csv files so they are not semi-colon separated.
- 4) **DO NOT** manually unzip the "starter" Zip file. The "starter" Zip file provided contains 3 csv files with previously submitted data. The CPRT2014 will automatically unzip the files when you import your "starter" Zip file into the tool. (Step 3, CPRT2014 Instructions)

Note: **DO NOT** move the columns or change column names in the header rows! Each column is given a specific name that the file upload process is programmed to recognize.