



Chloroprene

Why is chloroprene on the Proposition 65 list?



- Chloroprene is on the [Proposition 65](#) list for cancer.
- California's Proposition 65 requires [businesses](#) to warn people before exposing them to a significant amount of a [chemical](#) listed under Proposition 65 for cancer or [reproductive toxicity](#).

What is chloroprene?

- Chloroprene is a chemical used to make a synthetic rubber commonly known as neoprene.
- Neoprene is used in a wide variety of consumer goods, including footwear, gloves, athletic gear, bags, bandages, and fabrics. It is also used in adhesives, caulks, wire and cable coatings, and other goods used in construction, vehicles, and machinery.

Do neoprene consumer products expose you to chloroprene?

- Using neoprene products is unlikely to cause exposure to chloroprene. The level of chloroprene in most neoprene products is very low.

For more information:

Scientific Information

- US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA)
 - ▶ Chloroprene
https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/iris_drafts/recordisplay.cfm?deid=339504
- Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
National Toxicology Program (NTP)
 - ▶ Chloroprene. Report on Carcinogens, Fifteenth Edition
<https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/ntp/roc/content/profiles/chloroprene.pdf>
- World Health Organization (WHO)
International Association for Research on Cancer (IARC)
 - ▶ "Chloroprene" section in Re-evaluation of Some Organic Chemicals, Hydrazine and Hydrogen Peroxide (1999), vol. 71, pages 227-250.
<https://publications.iarc.fr/89>

Proposition 65

- California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA)
Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHHA)
 - ▶ Proposition 65: Background
<https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/faq>
 - ▶ Proposition 65: The List of Chemicals
<https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/chemicals>
 - ▶ Proposition 65: Fact Sheets
<https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/fact-sheets>