

### United States Consumer Product Safety Commission

# Office of Import Surveillance eFiling Implementation Newsletter

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# Top Things to Know 🍂



- Visit the eFiling webpage at www.CPSC.gov/eFiling and sign up for our mailing list.
- The public comment period ended for the eFiling Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPR) on February 6, 2024.
- CPSC staff anticipates a Final Rule package submitted to the Commission by the end of fiscal year 2024 (i.e., by September 30, 2024).
- CPSC plans to officially implement the required eFiling program beginning in 2025.



Start learning about eFiling early

Understand what eFiling

- means for your business Know what products must
- be certified Consider data and system requirements

## Pilot Going? The eFiling Beta Pilot is well underway! Many

How is the eFiling Beta

of the Pilot participants are successfully entering and managing certificate data in the CPSC Product Registry each week. Over the last five months, importers and their trade partners have provided feedback on eFiling in real time, enabling CPSC to improve our processes and systems in preparation for full implementation in 2025 if a final rule is adopted.

The CPSC eFiling team hosted a Beta Pilot listening session on January 25, 2024 to provide an update to Beta Pilot participants on eFiling activity, discuss Product Registry system priorities, and garner feedback on participants' Pilot experience thus far. Surveys were distributed before and after this virtual event to gather feedback from Pilot participants on specific features within the Product Registry. CPSC gained insight into user sentiment towards current features and new features that CPSC should prioritize in the coming months. CPSC thanks those who submitted comments on the proposed rule

published in the Federal Register! The public comment period for the eFiling Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPR) ended on February 6, 2024. CPSC staff is reviewing the comments and anticipates delivering a Final Rule package to the Commission for consideration by the end of fiscal year 2024 (The Federal fiscal year 2024 ends on September 30, 2024). The eFiling Beta Pilot has been extended and will now end in June 2024. This

extension will allow additional time for CPSC to reach the total number of filed Message Sets necessary to adequately test eFiling back-end systems. As CPSC prepares for the rest of trade to begin eFiling, we are committed to ensuring our back-end systems will allow for a successful transition to full implementation. This extension will allow participants to increase the volume of certificate data entered into the system and allow CPSC to solidify system operations in preparation for full implementation of the Product Registry. What Pilot Participants are Saying

### "Throughout the process, the CPSC "We found the user interface to be

and open to feedback. The support and collaboration ensures that the eFiling platform will be a valuable and effective tool for the industry." Laboratory Participant, January 2024

team has been incredibly responsive

Begin Preparing for eFiling Now!

developers, we appreciate the effort involved in creating intuitive user interfaces that can support rapid user adoption." Software Developer Participant. February 2024

very straightforward. As software

### (NPR) in 2013! As the Commission moves toward full implementation, it is

imperative that the trade community take action to prepare for CPSC's required eFiling program that will change the way businesses file certificate data. Take note of CPSC's eFiling program timeline as we approach the final phases going into 2025: 2017 CPSC conducts implementation 2023-2024 of eFiling Certificate Study to evaluate eFiling **Beta Pilot** 

eFiling has come a long way since its initial Notice of Proposed Rulemaking



CPSC will allow interested importers and trade partners not participating in the Beta Pilot to sign up for a voluntary testing stage in summer 2024 before full implementation. As CPSC prepares the registration process for this voluntary testing stage, stay tuned for updates and instructions for how to sign up.

- Visit our webpage at <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/eFiling">www.cpsc.gov/eFiling</a> to review helpful resources including CPSC eFiling presentations, training videos, and standard operating procedures. Stay tuned for the release of comprehensive training
- and educational materials in summer 2024. Communicate these important updates to your business and partners to begin preparing for eFiling early.
- Consider the data and system requirements that will be necessary for your business to successfully transition to the eFiling process.











