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We believe that under the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200 that this product meets the definition of an "article", and that as such, does not require an MSDS. The original OSHA standard defined an article as a manufactured item:

- 1) Which is formed to a specific shape or design during manufacturing;
- 2) Which has end use function(s) dependent in whole or in part upon its shape or design during end use;
- 3) Does not release, or otherwise result in an exposure to a hazardous chemical under normal conditions of use.

In February 1994, OSHA amended the Hazard Communication Standard and modified part 3 of the above definition to read:

- 3) Does not release more than very small quantities of a hazardous chemical under normal conditions of use.

State and local regulations that we are aware of also contain similar exemptions for such articles.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this information please contact:

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**Below are some examples of manufactured articles:**

Fabric Softener  
Printer Ribbon  
Baby Wipes  
Glue Sticks  
Scouring Pads  
Charcoal  
Alkaline Batteries  
Light Bulbs  
Flourescent Tubes  
Tape (Any Type)  
Bar Soap  
Bug Strips / Sticky Traps  
Pens  
Pencils  
Chalk  
Paper  
Envelopes

**These are only examples, and should not be interpreted to be an exhaustive list.**