

TO: Sears Holdings Merchandise Vendor's
DATE: June 28, 2016
RE: Sears Holdings Hazardous Materials Classification Compliance Program
And WERCSmart Subscription Plan

SUPPLIER PARTICIPATION IS MANDATORY

Sears Holdings utilizes the product classification services of The WERCS, a division of UL (“**WERCS**”), to aggregate specific regulatory information for products that contain hazardous materials which it sells, or places into commerce or uses.

- All Vendors providing product to Sears Holdings containing hazardous substances must comply with all requirements and all equivalent state-level regulations regarding hazardous substances and volatile organic compounds which include making a current safety data sheet (“**SDS**”) available via WERCSmart.
- Vendors will be held accountable for incorrect or outdated information entered into WERCS, (or another third party product classifier as directed by Sears Holdings) and all Sears Holdings systems.
- All changes to existing products that Sears Holdings relies on to generate regulatory/compliance reporting, handle, transport, store, sell or otherwise use must be immediately entered into WERCS.
- Vendors are responsible for all fees regarding the collection of data, creation of an SDS, authorization for data access, uploading accurate and up to date data, as well as all associated penalties, fines, violations, other fees, costs or expenses in the event that a non-compliant product results in a hazardous situation or regulatory action.
- In Sears Holdings sole discretion, Sears Holdings may assess a non-compliance penalty against a Vendor for each calendar day a unique UPC is non-compliant, as determined by Sears Holdings.

WERCSSMART SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES

- WERCSmart is in the process of converting from a pay-per transaction pricing model to a subscription model that significantly saves time and money for our valued Suppliers. As of **July 1, 2016**, all Vendors will be **required** to convert their existing account to a subscription plan tier that best meets their needs.

- With this **one-time annual** fee, Vendor's no longer are required to checkout a product (except for additional documents and authoring) and are able to easily update product information and **elect recertification** at *their convenience* with no additional cost or request. Also, the new and improved system interface and customer support service offers Vendors a more user-friendly and efficient experience.

The WERCS portal, training aids and assistance for using the WERCS services are available online and can be accessed as follows:

Sears Holdings

- Sears Holdings Vendor Portal: Vendor Portal: <https://vendorportal.searshc.com>
- Hazardous Materials Compliance Program Contact: kwaityf@searshc.com

The WERCS

- WERCS Portal, Online User Help and Training Aids: <https://secure.supplierwercs.com>
- Pricing & Information Package: <https://secure.supplierwercs.com/Home/SubscriptionInfo#faq>
- Video Tutorial on How to Subscribe: [See the How-to Video](#)
- UL I&I (WERCS) Support:
 - Online Help Desk – Click On The Upper Navigation Bar
 - Phone Support: +1 (518) 720-6220.