



Product Stewardship Disclosures

Overview

Our teams work together to identify and mitigate the environmental impacts of our packaging and products throughout their lifecycles. Our Product Stewardship, Supply Chain, R&D, Engineering, and EHS groups partner closely to analyze how and what we source. We continuously monitor the regulatory landscape and changes to hazardous chemical requirements. Our Corporate Product Stewardship organization holds regular forums for informing our company about the potential business impacts these changes could have. Our regulatory intelligence process helps ensure potential impacts are identified in a timely manner, and also follows actions taken at the business level to help confirm we remain compliant.

Our product stewardship program tracks and addresses hazardous chemical legislation and supports the implementation of conflict mineral due diligence.

Product Stewardship

Product stewardship focuses on reducing and restricting the use of hazardous substances in products, packaging, and manufacturing processes from design through end of life. We comply with relevant regulations for product use, recycling, and disposal.

In accordance with applicable regulations, Abbott conducts assessments for hazardous substances for new and changed products. When substances are identified, Abbott assesses:

- Whether continued use can be justified
- The value of use versus reformulation
- Any potential compliance issues

The evaluation process creates an opportunity to research suitable alternatives, if available, and identify potential product performance and cost impacts. Business management reviews recommendations for next steps, including justification for substance use, product support strategies, and business risk monitoring and mitigation plans.

Our Corporate Product Stewardship organization updates the company on potential business impacts of changes to regulatory requirements for hazardous substances. Our regulatory intelligence process follows business-level actions to help Abbott remain compliant and identify potential impacts in a timely manner.

Position Statement on Conflict Minerals

Abbott complies with applicable laws that require companies to report on the use of conflict minerals, including annual disclosure to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. We query key suppliers to disclose the presence and source of conflict minerals in their supply chains.

For more information on our position statement on conflict minerals please visit our [Conflict Minerals Webpage](#).