



## Ohio Department of Commerce

Division of Industrial Compliance

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### ARTICLES OF BEDDING, UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE & STUFFED TOYS REQUIRING REGISTRATION UNDER OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 3713

If you are operating as a manufacturer, importer, distributor, or wholesaler, you will be required to register, to submit a sample of your product(s) for analysis of the filling content, to submit a law label(s) for approval, and/or are responsible for the semiannual fee of four cents per item for products brought into this state or offered for sale in this state.

If you are operating as a rent-to-own, secondhand store, renovator, re-upholsterer, auctioneer, auction house, recreational vehicle dealer, mobile home dealer, flea market, or charitable organization, you will be required to register, label, and properly sanitize products that are brought into this state or offered for sale in this state. All of the listed articles must have a proper secondhand law label securely affixed, with the exception of stuffed toys, only if they are placed in a designated area (bin, shelves, etc.) with a sufficient number of law labels securely affixed and visible in the designated area. Stuffed toys that are of a sufficient size to be placed outside a designated area must be individually affixed with a proper law label.

The following articles of bedding and upholstered furniture, and any like articles not otherwise designated herein, containing filling material and can be used for laying, sleeping, sitting, resting or reclining purposes and all stuffed toys/items, which are wholly or partially stuffed and could be used as a plaything, come under the scope of the Ohio Bedding, Upholstered Furniture and Stuffed Toy Law.

Richard Selegue  
Chief Bedding Inspector  
State of Ohio

**Articles of Bedding, Upholstered Furniture & Stuffed Toys Requiring Fees under the Ohio Revised Code**

All of the items listed below, but not limited too, fall under this jurisdiction for license requirements:

**CUSHIONS:** Auto detachable type, beach, sport and stadium, life preserver, padded bicycle child carrier, throw cushions, pet cushions, etc.

**TOY ITEMS:** All wholly or partially stuffed toys/items, dolls, doll carriage cushions, pads, pillows, padded doll comforters, pet toys, etc.; any article that is wholly or partially stuffed and could be used as a plaything.

**INFANT ACCESSORIES:** Upholstered carriages, strollers, carriers, bassinet liners, car beds, car seats, crib liners, mattresses, high chairs, play pens, nursery seats, nursing pillows, activity quilts, padded scales, etc.

**BEDDING:** Mattresses, box springs, pillows, comforters, quilts, mattress pads, pillow shams, Hollywood headboards, pet beds, etc.

**SPORTS & LEISURE:** Padded outdoor furniture, chaise lounges, beach chairs, padded cooler seats, stadium cushions, sleeping bags, padded hammocks, glider cushions, wicker furniture cushions, padded folding chairs, bean bag chairs, padded exercise equipment seats, padded weight benches, bicycle seats, boating seats, etc.

**UTILITY ITEMS:** Mechanics stools, fully padded automotive creepers, beauty salon chairs and stools, wheelchairs, scooters, mobility chairs, padded stools, padded step stools, padded garden stools, etc.

**UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE:** All wholly or partially stuffed furniture such as chairs, sofas, love seats, ottomans, hassocks, dining room chairs, dinette chairs, bar stools, rocking chairs, sofa beds and sleepers, studio couches, convalescent equipment, pet products, etc.

**PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:** All persons manufacturing, importing, distributing, wholesaling regulated articles; persons operating as mobile home dealers, recreational vehicle dealers, conversion van dealers, secondhand dealers, auctioneers and auction houses shall obtain a Bedding and Stuffed Toy License in accordance with Chapter 3713 of the Ohio Revised Code. License fees of \$50.00 made payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio are renewable annually and are non-transferable.

All persons renovating or reupholstering regulated articles shall obtain a Bedding and Stuffed Toy License in accordance with Chapter 3713 of the Ohio Revised Code. License fees of \$35.00 made payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio are renewable annually and are non-transferable.

All Charitable Organizations shall obtain a Bedding and Stuffed Toy License in accordance with Chapter 3713 of the Ohio Revised Code and are subject to IRS regulations Form 501 (c) (3). License fees of \$2.00 made payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio are renewable annually and are non-transferable.

**SEMIANNUAL REPORT FORM:** You will be sent a semiannual report form on which you will indicate the total number of articles or units which you have manufactured, imported, distributed or wholesaled for sale in the State of Ohio. Please multiply the number of articles sold by four cents and remit your check for the total amount due payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio.

**Failure to comply with these regulations could result in your products being withheld for sale and subject to fines and/or imprisonment in the State of Ohio.** *Persons not regularly engaged in the operation of any of the above businesses shall contact this office for instructions.*

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Please complete the following form and mail to: Division of Industrial Compliance, 6606 Tussing Road, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-9009. Please retain a copy for your records. A license application packet will be mailed to the address you submit.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Business \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**I am not certain if I meet the above requirements. Please call me at the above number. ( )**

**You may contact this office at 614-728-0056 or by email at [OHIOBEDDING@COM.STATE.OH.US](mailto:OHIOBEDDING@COM.STATE.OH.US) for answers to your question**

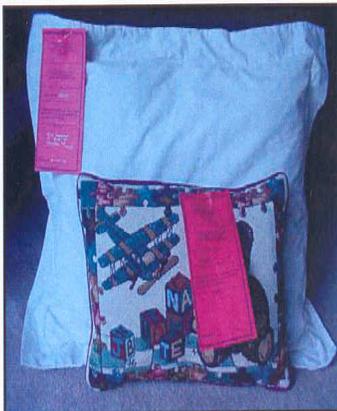
# Regulations for Secondhand Bedding, Upholstered Furniture and Stuffed Toys



**Upholstered Furniture**



**Mattresses**



**Pillows**

Secondhand dealers offering stuffed toys, bedding, upholstered furniture and other articles containing hidden filler used for sleeping, sitting, resting or reclining must do the following:

1. Maintain a license with the Division of Industrial Compliance. The annual cost is \$50, and applications are available on the Web site at [www.com.state.oh.us/ODOC/dic](http://www.com.state.oh.us/ODOC/dic) or from the main office.
2. Sterilize secondhand articles offered for sale or lease by a process approved by the state of Ohio.
3. Attach a secondhand tag or label to each secondhand article. This tag or label shall contain the registration number and be visible to the consumer. Additional label requirements can be found on our Web site.
4. Store mattresses off the floor in a clean, dry area with space between each set.
5. Undergo periodic inspections by the Bedding, Upholstered Furniture & Stuffed Toy Section of the Division of Industrial Compliance.



**Wheelchairs**



**Leather Furniture**



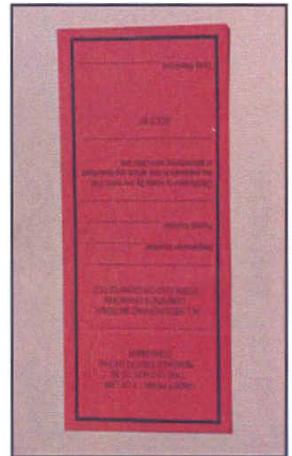
**Stuffed Toys**

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To apply for a secondhand license and to learn more about the regulation of secondhand bedding, upholstered furniture and stuffed toys, please visit our Web site at:

<http://www.com.state.oh.us/ODOC/dic>

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**Secondhand Label**

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