

FORD POURS IT ON NO-LEAD WATERWORKS BRASS

In January of 2011, the President signed into law Senate Bill 3874 which created the Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act. This legislation amended the Safe Drinking Water Act to reduce the allowable lead content in all products in contact with drinking water from 8.0% to 0.25% (weighted average).



This means all manufacturers must use no-lead brass for waterworks products contacting potable water.

Although states may adopt an earlier timeline, the new national law goes into effect on January 4, 2014.



It should be noted that 85-5-5 brass products manufactured for potable water applications, which will no longer be produced or sold for such applications, also cannot be installed.

The new law references the wetted surface of any product used in a potable water system. Products used for non-drinking water applications (ex. reclaimed, industrial, irrigation, etc.) and brass service saddles (in most states) are exempt from no-lead requirements.

What can we do now?

Ford already stocks the broadest line of no-lead brass waterworks products that meet the new legislation. Don't get stuck with unusable inventory. Begin now to create a transition plan to no-lead products.

For more information about no-lead brass, please visit our website at www.fordmeterbox.com/nolead, scan our QR code or contact your local Ford distributor.

