



FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

16 CFR Parts 315 and 456

RIN 3084-AA95

Contact Lens Rule

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY:

The Commission is amending its contact lens rule to require contact lens manufacturers to provide certain information to consumers...

DATES:

The Commission is amending its contact lens rule effective on 10/1/00.

ADDRESSES:

Comments should be addressed to the Director, Office of Consumer Policy, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20548.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For information on this rule, contact the Director, Office of Consumer Policy, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20548.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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II. The Rule

Statement of Basis and Purpose

I. Introduction

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1. The Commission has received information that certain individuals are engaged in a concerted effort to influence the Commission's decision-making process in connection with the proposed rulemaking. The Commission is therefore publishing this notice to inform the public of the Commission's efforts to ensure the integrity of its decision-making process.

2. The Commission is currently reviewing the proposed rulemaking and has received numerous comments from interested parties. The Commission is committed to a thorough and fair review of all comments received.

3. The Commission is also conducting a public hearing on the proposed rulemaking. The hearing will be held on July 15, 1975, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's hearing room. The Commission is inviting all interested parties to attend the hearing and present their views on the proposed rulemaking.

4. The Commission is also conducting a public comment period on the proposed rulemaking. The comment period will close on July 31, 1975. The Commission is inviting all interested parties to submit written comments on the proposed rulemaking.

5. The Commission is committed to transparency and accountability in its decision-making process. The Commission will publish a final decision on the proposed rulemaking, along with a detailed explanation of the Commission's reasoning.

1. The Commission has received information that certain individuals are engaged in a concerted effort to influence the Commission's decision-making process in the matter of the proposed merger of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Western Union Telegraph Company. The Commission is concerned that such efforts may be directed at the Commission's independence and impartiality.

2. The Commission is therefore taking certain steps to ensure that its decision-making process is not influenced by such efforts. These steps include the following:

(a) The Commission is hereby ordering that any individual who is known to be engaged in such efforts shall be prohibited from communicating with any member of the Commission or any staff member of the Commission in connection with the proposed merger.

(b) The Commission is hereby ordering that any individual who is known to be engaged in such efforts shall be prohibited from attempting to influence any member of the Commission or any staff member of the Commission in connection with the proposed merger.

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1. 40 CFR 101.118.

III. Clerical Amendments to the Ophthalmic Practice Rules (16 CFR Part 456)

IV. Paperwork Reduction Act

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§ 456.5 Rules applicable to prescriptions for contact lenses and related issues.

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