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**Re: California Proposition 65 Statement**

Ripley Tools is committed to providing quality wire and cable preparation hand tools for the Power Utility and Broadband industries.

California's Proposition 65, also referred to as the "Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act" is a Right to Know law regarding Californians being able to make informed decisions to protect themselves from chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm. The law states that Californians have a right to know if a chemical may cause "more than 1 extra case of cancer in 100,000 people over a 70-year lifetime". This list, which must be updated at least once a year, has grown to include approximately 900 chemicals since it was first published in 1987.

A Proposition 65 warning needs to be included for affected items sold into California. A warning means one of two things:

- 1) the business has evaluated the exposure and has concluded that it exceeds the "safe harbor exposure level", or;
- 2) the business has chosen to provide a warning simply based on its knowledge about the presence of a listed chemical without attempting to evaluate the exposure.

Ripley Tools has chosen to issue this warning on some of our products which may potentially contain chemicals listed in Proposition 65, including; cadmium and cadmium compounds (plating), chromium and nickel compounds (stainless steel), phthalates (plastic handles), bisphenol-A (polycarbonate plastic) or cadmium zinc sulfide (plastic handles). By applying warning labels we have proactively identified those items that may contain these chemicals of concern, however it is also possible these products contain smaller amounts than Proposition 65's concern or potentially none at all.

Ripley Tools Proposition 65 warning label:



**WARNING:** Cancer and Reproductive Harm.

[www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/product](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/product)

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