CALIFORNIA

PRODUCTS:
- Products containing ephedrine (EPH), pseudoephedrine (PSE), norpseudoephedrine (NPSE), or phenylpropanolamine (PPA)

PRODUCT EXEMPTIONS:
- Pediatric liquid products containing EPH, PSE, NPSE or PPA are exempt from 3 package/9 gram sales limit. Pediatric products are defined as having dosage units that do not exceed 15 mg of PPA or PSE per 5 ml of liquid product, except for liquid products primarily intended for administration to children under two years of age for which the recommended dosage unit does not exceed 2 ml and the total package content does not exceed one fluid ounce. (CA Health and Safety Code 11100)
- EPH, PSE, NPSE or PPA products sold pursuant to a valid prescription are exempt from the sales limit. (CA Health and Safety Code 11100)

SALES LIMITS:
- No retailer may sell in a single transaction more than 3 packages or 9 grams of a product containing EPH, PSE, NPSE or PPA (unless a pediatric product in liquid form). (CA Health and Safety Code 11100)

PENALTIES:
- A first violation is a misdemeanor. Any person previously convicted of a violation shall, upon a subsequent conviction, be punished by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year, by a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or by both the fine and imprisonment. (CA Health and Safety Code 11100)

PREEMPTION:
- All local ordinances or regulations are preempted that govern the sale by a retail distributor of over-the-counter products containing EPH, PSE, NPSE, and PPA. (CA Health and Safety Code 11100)

WHOLESALER REQUIREMENTS
- Wholesalers must be licensed by the California State Board of Pharmacy, and must report suspicious sales to the Department of Justice. (CA Health and Safety Code 11100)

OTHER:
- Manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, or other persons or entities that are not licensed by the California State Board of Pharmacy and registered with DEA must obtain a permit from the California Department of Justice. However, such permit is not required for entities that conduct sales only for personal use in retail
transactions with walk-in customers or in face-to-face transactions. (CA Health and Safety Code 11106)