

Complying with Establishment Registration Requirements

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Learning Objectives

- Describe the establishment registration requirements under 21 CFR 207
- Identify some common registration related issues
- Explain the compliance program and deficiency letter highlights
- Describe effects of non-compliance

Establishment Registration Requirements



- Section 510 of FD&C Act 21 U.S.C. 360(b) (c), (d) and (i)

REGULATIONS



- 21 CFR 207 Subpart B

– 207.17- Who Must Register?

- All domestic and foreign manufacturers

Establishment Registration Requirements



- 207.21- When to submit the initial information
 - Domestic manufacturers - no later than 5 calendar days after manufacturing starts
 - Foreign manufacturers- must do it **before** importation

Establishment Registration Requirements



- 207.25 - What information to include
 - Name of owner or operator of each establishment
 - Name(s) of establishment, physical address, phone, contact info
 - Registration number, Unique Facility Identifier
 - Business operation(s)
 - Name and address of official contact for establishment

Establishment Registration Requirements



- 207.25 continued

For foreign establishments:



- Name and address, telephone, and email for
 - US Agent – more under 207.69(b)
 - Each importer in U.S.
 - Each person who imports or offers for import

Registration Update Requirements



- 207.29 - Requirements for updating registration information
 - Closing or selling of establishment
 - Changes to establishment name or address
 - Any change made to official contact or U.S. agent information
 - Renew / update between Oct.1 to Dec.31 annually

Where is Registration Data found

- Drug Establishment Current Registration Site (DECERS)
 - FDA's online registration database
 - If firm properly registers with FDA – data is here
- Establishment data is removed from this site if:
 - Deregistered
 - Registration has expired
 - Registration data is inactivated due to compliance case

Common Registration Issues



- Facility SHOULD NOT register
- DUNS issues or Missing FEI
- Incorrect or incomplete business operations or operation qualifiers
- Unauthorized U.S. agent
- Unauthorized submissions
- Outdated contact information



Compliance Program

- Started in 2015
- Mission: to protect and promote public health by striving to achieve accuracy and integrity of establishment registration and drug listing data
- Phases of compliance actions
 - Review of data
 - Deficiency letter
 - Data removal
 - Further actions – registration data is inactivated, warning letter



Compliance Program

Deficiency Letter Highlights

- Statement of deficiency in 1st paragraph
- 30 days for corrections
- **Non-delivery of letter does not stop the process**
 - Requirement to update registrant contact info under 21 CFR 207.29(a)(3)
- Instructions for submitting corrections

Importance of Registration



- An inventory of all drug manufacturers who are producing drugs for sale in the U.S.
- Aids in inspection program
- Assists in drug shortage cases
- Post-market surveillance and adverse event reports
- Required for drug import and export

Effects of Non-Compliance



- Outdated contacts – Registrant and establishment will not receive timely FDA communications and notifications
- DUNS issues can create validation errors
- Incorrect or incomplete data can lead to compliance cases
- Unresolved compliance case – registration data removal from DECERS

Effects of Non-Compliance



- Misbranding - section 502(o) of FD&C Act
 - Introduction or delivery of a misbranded drug in interstate commerce is prohibited - section 301(a) FD&C Act, U.S.C. 331(a)
- Importation issues- section 801(a)(3) of the FD&C Act (21 U.S.C. 381(a)(3))
- Warning letters

Challenge Question #1



Under which 21 CFR 207 subpart are the registration requirements found?

- A. Subpart A
- B. Subpart B
- C. Subpart C
- D. Subpart D

Challenge Question #2



All the following are true about establishment registration requirements except:

- A. Establishment registration must be updated annually between October 1 and December 31
- B. Foreign establishments must register initially within 5 days of beginning to manufacture
- C. Foreign manufacturers must include US agent and importer information
- D. A “No Changes” notification SPL may be used to renew the registration

Challenge Question #3



What are some negative effects of not complying with registration requirements

- A. Firm may receive a deficiency letter
- B. Data may be removed from DECERS
- C. Inclusion of an incorrect or expired manufacturer may lead to misbranding charges for the listed drug
- D. All the above

Summary



- Review and follow the registration requirements to maintain compliance
- Compliance program aims to keep data submitted to FDA accurate and complete
- Establishment registration must remain current as this can affect drug listing data
- Failure to comply can lead to some negative effects



Closing Thought

Complying can be EASY
IF YOU FOLLOW REGULATIONS
and
Submit CORRECTLY the FIRST TIME

Resources



- Electronic Code of Federal Regulations : 21 CFR Part 207:
- <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-21/chapter-I/subchapter-C/part-207>
- Drug Establishment Current Registration Site:
- <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-approvals-and-databases/drug-establishments-current-registration-site>
- Electronic Registration and Listing Compliance Program | FDA:
- <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/electronic-drug-registration-and-listing-system-edrls/electronic-registration-and-listing-compliance-program>



Questions?

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