



December 9, 2025

Notice to All Licensed Distributors and Wholesalers

This Notice is being provided to you pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code section 30165.1, subdivision (c)(3)(C).

Effective December 9, 2025, the Attorney General's Office **REMOVED** the following brand families from the California Tobacco Directory:

- **Philip Morris, USA**
 - **Cambridge** – the one (1) brand style
 - Gold King
 - **Chesterfield** – all six (6) brand styles
 - 100s Box
 - Blue 100s Box
 - Blue Box
 - Box
 - Menthol 100s Box
 - Menthol Box
 - **Nats** – all four (4) brand styles
 - Blue King Box
 - King Box
 - Menthol King Box
 - Yellow King Box
- **NASCO Products, LLC**
 - **Hestia** – all two (2) brand styles
 - Hesper Orange Box
 - Strong Box

Distributor and Wholesaler Responsibilities

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code section 30165.1, subdivision (c)(3)(C), you must provide a copy of this Notice to each of your existing customers within seven (7) days. (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 30165.1, subd. (c)(3)(C).) Effective immediately, distributors and wholesalers may not sell any cigarettes or tobacco products listed in this Notice to a California retailer unless the retailer was provided a copy of this Notice.

Sell-Off Period

Under California's Tobacco Directory law:

- Distributors have no more than forty (40) days to purchase, stamp, sell, or possess any cigarettes or tobacco products listed in this Notice for sales in California. Wholesalers have no more than forty (40) days to purchase, sell, or possess any cigarettes or tobacco products listed in this Notice for sales in California. (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 30165.1, subd. (c)(3)(B).)
- A licensed retailer may possess, transport, or sell the tax-stamped cigarettes affected by this Notice of removal for no more than sixty (60) days. (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 30165.1, subd. (c)(3)(D).) After sixty (60) days, the brand families identified in this Notice are contraband and may not be sold or purchased in

California, and will be subject to seizure and destruction under Revenue and Taxation Code sections 30436, subdivision (e), and section 30449, subdivision (b). (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 30165.1, subd. (c)(3)(E).)

If you have questions regarding the manufacturers listed on the California Tobacco Directory, you may contact:

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