Customer FAQs – Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) - Unit of Measure Impact

DUE TO UPCOMING DEADLINES ASSOCIATED WITH THE DRUG SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY ACT (DSCSA), THE UNITS OF MEASURE YOU HAVE GROWN ACCUSTOMED TO PURCHASING MAY NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE.

Q: What are the upcoming DSCSA deadlines?
A: On November 27, 2019, wholesalers like Bound Tree can only buy and sell products that are serialized. The federal regulations prohibit sales of pharmaceuticals below the serialized unit of measure. For details, please visit this site.

Q: How do these deadlines affect my business?
A: For many pharmaceuticals, individual units will no longer be a purchasing unit of measure option. To comply with DSCSA regulations, many manufacturers have elected to serialize their products down to the box level only, not the eaches you may be accustomed to purchasing. Please contact your Bound Tree Account Manager or Customer Service to discuss questions specific to the pharmaceutical products you purchase.

Q: Why is compliance to DSCSA requirements important?
A: Failure to comply with DSCSA requirements is prohibited and may result in civil and criminal penalties, injunction of unlawful activity and seizure of goods. In addition, individual state penalties may apply.

Q: What happens if I have a backorder?
A: As of the end of November, any backorder for an impacted item (entered in our system as non-serialized unit of measure), will need to be addressed to ensure compliance. Your Account Manager or someone from our Customer Service team will reach out to you to discuss any backorders you have that are affected by this federal regulation.

Q: How do I know which products are impacted?
A: Please refer to the list of impacted items.