


Section 1 Questions

Is the product legal to manufacture in the United States?

Not legal most states			
Legal some states	3	4	
Legal most states	6	7	8
Perfectly legal	9	10	

Is the product legal to manufacture in foreign Countries?

Not legal most countries		1	2
Legal some countries	3	4	5
Legal most countries	6	7	8
Perfectly legal	9	10	

Is the product legal to sell in the United States?

Not legal most states			
Legal some states	3	4	5
Legal most states	6	7	8
Perfectly legal	9	10	

Is the product legal to sell in foreign countries?

Not legal most countries		1	2
Legal some countries	3	4	5
Legal most countries	6	7	8
Perfectly legal	9	10	

Is there any legislation presently pending which could outlaw or restrict the manufacturing or sales of this type of product?

Yes, federal and state			
Yes for several states	3	4	5
Yes for one state	6	7	8
No	9	10	

Is the product government regulated in the United States?

Yes, strictly controlled	1	2	
Controlled in most states and countries	3	4	5
Controlled in a few states & countries	6	7	8
Unregulated	9	10	

Is the product government regulated in other Countries?

Yes, strictly controlled	1	2	
Controlled in most countries	3	4	5
Controlled in a few countries	6	7	8
Unregulated	9	10	

Does the product use any illegal fuels or compounds?

Yes			
None	10		

Does the product use any government regulated fuels or compounds?

Yes	1	2	
Some	3	4	5
Very little	6	7	8
None	9	10	

Does the product comply with the performance, safety and material requirements of the code of Federal Regulations?

No			
Not sure	3	4	5
Most likely	6	7	8
Yes	9	10	

Have you checked to be absolutely sure you are not infringing on another party's patents, trademarks, copyrights etc.?

No		
Yes	1	

If your product is similar to one which you, or any members of your team, worked on in a previous employment situation, have you or any of your prospective employees, partners or associates signed any non-competition agreements with previous employees?

Yes		
Yes, but it's weak	2	3 4 5 6 7 8 9
No	10	

Were you or any of your prospective employees, partners or associates ever in "key" positions with companies which manufacture similar products?

Yes	1	2	
"Key" is arguable	3	4 5 6 7 8 9	
No	10		


Were you or your prospective employees, partners, or associates ever privy to trade secrets or confidential information from another company which are related in any way to the present product?

Yes	1	2
Yes, but limited	3	4 5 6 7 8 9
No	10	

Is there any way a previous employer could practice “legal extortion” to cost you money, ie: saying you “took trade secrets” even though you didn’t, to prevent you from entering their market?

Yes	1	2
Possible but unlikely	3	4 5 6 7 8
No	9	10

If you are planning on using any comparative advertising, could any of it be construed to be misrepresentative of the competitor’s product?

Yes		1	2
Probably	3	4	5
Possibly	6	7	8
No	9	10	

If you answered yes to any of the last five questions, are you financially prepared to fight lawsuits? Even frivolous ones?

No	1	2
Yes, but limited	3	4 5 6 7 8
Yes	9	10

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