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2 Restriction proposal dossiers published

On 22nd March 2017, Restriction proposal dossiers were published for the following substances:

1. [Diisocyanates](#)
2. [Lead compounds](#)

Germany has submitted a report proposing a restriction covering the use and placing on the market of Diisocyanates as substances on their own, as a constituent in other substances or in mixtures for industrial and professional uses, unless the cumulative

concentration of Diisocyanates in the substance or mixture is less than 0.1% by weight.

ECHA has submitted a report proposing a restriction on the use of Lead compounds to stabilise PVC and on the placing on the market of PVC articles stabilised with Lead compounds. Depending on the outcome of the assessment, the scope of the restriction might be broad or targeted specifically to articles or article groups that are the main contributors to the risks targeted by this proposal.

The deadline for submitting comments for both dossiers is 22 September 2017.

Click [here](#) for submitted restrictions under consideration.

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Draft Version 4.0: REACH guidance for substances in Articles

New draft of REACH guidance for substances in articles was released on April 2017

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Intention to restrict D4 and D5 submitted

On April 13th 2017, ECHA submitted an intention to prepare a restriction for octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4) and decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D5) (EC: 209-136-7; 208-764-9) in personal care products and other consumer/professional products (e.g. dry cleaning, waxes and polishes, washing and cleaning products) in concentrations > 0.1% for submission on 13 April 2018.

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Call for evidence on review for Lead in Jewellery

By the end of 2016, ECHA was requested by the Commission to evaluate the current restriction of lead in jewellery by 30 September 2017. ECHA has launched a call for evidence to identify information necessary to review the current restriction. The call ends on 20 July 2017.

The objective of this call for evidence is to gather specific information about:

- The availability of alternatives to lead or its compounds.
- Analytical methodologies to determine migration of lead from the different materials used in jewellery.

Click [here](#) for calls for evidence.

Click [here](#) for background note.

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Restriction proposal on four phthalates and several authorisation applications agreed by RAC and SEAC

The Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) and the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC) agreed on a restriction proposal on four phthalates (DEHP, DBP, DIBP and BBP) in articles and on TDFA in sprays used by the general public. The committees also agreed on 19 draft opinions and adopted three final opinions on applications for authorisation.

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Draft 8th recommendation for inclusion in the Authorisation List

On March 2nd 2017, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) launched a public consultation on its draft 8th recommendation for 7 new substances to be prioritised from the Candidate List for the Authorisation List.

ECHA plans to recommend adding the following substances to the Authorisation List:

- 1.5.-Sec-butyl-2-(2,4-dimethylcyclohex-3-en-1-yl)-5-methyl-1,3-dioxane [1], 5-sec-butyl-2-(4,6-dimethylcyclohex-3-en-1-yl)-5-methyl-1,3-dioxane [2] [covering any of the individual stereoisomers of [1] and [2] or any combination thereof] (karanal group)
- 2. 1-Methyl-2-pyrrolidone (NMP) [CAS# 872-50-4]
- 3. 2-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4,6-ditertpentylphenol (UV-328) [CAS# 25973-55-1]
- 4. 2,4-di-tert-butyl-6-(5-chlorobenzotriazol-2-yl)phenol (UV-327) [CAS# 3864-99-1]
- 5. 2-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4-(tert-butyl)-6-(sec-butyl)phenol (UV-350) [CAS# 36437-37-3]
- 6. 2-benzotriazol-2-yl-4,6-di-tert-butylphenol (UV-320) [CAS# 3846-71-7]
- 7. 1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid, di-C6-10-alkyl esters; 1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid, mixed decyl and hexyl and octyl diesters with ≥ 0.3% of dihexyl phthalate (EC No. 201-559-5) [CAS# 68515-51-5; 68648-93-1]
- The deadline for interested parties to submit comments is 2 June 2017.

Substances included in the Authorisation List (REACH Annex XIV) cannot be manufactured or imported in the EU from their sunset date, unless a company has obtained an Authorisation for their specific use(s). This Authorisation can either be granted because the risks are adequately controlled or because the socioeconomic benefits outweigh the risks.

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REACH Draft guidance of PAHs restriction seeks public comments

The aim of this draft guidance is to clarify the scope of the restriction and the possible materials that may contain Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH).

It contains non-exhaustive lists of articles and subtypes within and outside the scope of the restriction under entry 50 to REACH Regulation.

Click [here](#) for getting the draft guidance.

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SVHC roadmap report

Early in 2013, the Member States, the European Commission and ECHA agreed a plan to have all relevant currently known substances of very high concern on the Candidate List by 2020.

On April 2017, ECHA published the Annual report on progress towards having all relevant substances of very high concern (SVHCs) on the Candidate List.

Click [here](#) for getting the annual report.

EUROPE – CLP



End of the transitional period for labelling mixtures.

From 1st June 2017, all chemical products placed on the market have to be labelled in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on the classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP Regulation).

If you still have products on your shelves with labels following the requirements of the previous legislation, you must now make sure that the products are either no longer placed on the market, or re-classified and re-labelled in accordance with CLP.

Click [here](#) for more information.

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Poison centres - Harmonised information relating to emergency health response

On 22nd March 2017, the Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/542 was published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/542 of 22 March 2017 amending Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures by adding an Annex on harmonised information relating to emergency health response.

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 is amended as follows:

(1) In Article 25, the following paragraph 7 is added:

'7. Where under Annex VIII the submitter creates a unique formula identifier, it shall be included on the label in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Part A of that Annex'

(2) Annex VIII is added as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Click [here](#) for getting the Official Journal

Click [here](#) for more information (Poison centres official website).

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List of harmonised classifications updated

On May 2017, the European Commission amended Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on the classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP Regulation), updating the list of substances with a harmonised classification.

The limit date by which Companies must apply the revised classifications for the safe use of these chemicals is 1st December 2018.

Click [here](#) for getting the Official Journal of the European Union.

EUROPE – BIOCIDES

TREATED ARTICLES

On May 2017, ECHA published a list of biocides (active substances in different product-types) that can continue to be used in the treatment of articles.

According to the Biocidal Products Regulation (EU) No 528/2012, you can only place on the market articles that are treated with active substances which are either of low risk, have been approved, or were included in the EU approval process by the deadline of September 2016 and are waiting to be approved for your product-type.

Articles treated with a substance that is not approved, should be removed from the market.

Click [here](#) for allowed active substances

Click [here](#) for low risk substances (see page 52)

Click [here](#) for product-types list

Click [here](#) for general information.

US - CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65

California Proposition 65 Reformulations (April, 2017)

California Proposition 65 is the 'Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986', which has been effective for almost 30 years. Due to the implement of California Proposition 65, more and more court cases are settled to reduce the exposure of carcinogenic and reproductive chemicals by reformulating the consumer products containing such chemicals.

In order to keep retailers and manufacturers up-to-date, the highlights of the consent agreements are summarized as below:

Product	Chemical	Limit	Case No
PVC rainwear and clear vinyl / PVC packaging cases	DEHP, DBP, DINP, DIDP, DnHP and BBP	1000ppm Products exceed the limit shall utilize a warning statement	Out of court settlement
Flip flops	DBP and DEHP	1000ppm Products exceed the limit shall utilize a warning statement	Out of Court Settlement
FUSE brand audio/video cables	DEHP, DINP, DBP, DIDP, DnHP	1000ppm Warning label is not allowed	Marin County CIV 1604011
Copper or other beverage mug product with brass handles	Lead	100ppm All products shall comply with the limit regardless warning after Dec.31, 2017	Out of Court Settlement
Polycarbonate chopping bowls	BPA	1000 ppm Products exceed the limit shall utilize a warning statement	Out of Court Settlement
Tablet stand	DINP	1000ppm Products exceed the limit shall utilize a warning statement	Out of court settlement

Click [here](#) for more information in Department of Justice of State of California.

US - NEW YORK



Household Cleansing Product Ingredient Disclosure Program

New York State has launched a new initiative to require the public disclosure of chemical ingredients in household cleaning products.

This program derives from Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) Article 35 and New York Code of Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 659.

A draft of the 2017 Household Cleansing Product Information Disclosure Program Certification Form and Guidance Document in which disclosure will be required has been released for public comment until 14 June 2017.

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