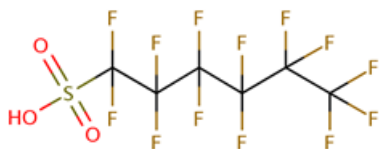


EUROPE- REACH



New SVHC added to the Candidate List and updated entries

On 7 July 2017, ECHA added one new very persistent and very bioaccumulative substance (vPvB) to the Candidate List.

This substance is PFHxS (Perfluorohexane-1-sulphonic acid and its salts) which belongs to the group of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs).

Besides this new addition, other entries in the Candidate List have been updated to include endocrine-disrupting properties for human health. These updated entries correspond to:

- Bisphenol A: included in the Candidate List in January due to its toxicity to reproduction, this entry was updated to reflect an additional reason for inclusion due to its endocrine-disrupting properties
- Benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP), bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP) and diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP): on 4 July 2017, the European Commission decided on the endocrine-disrupting properties of these four phthalates (Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/1210)

The Candidate List of substances of very high concern (SVHCs) for authorisation now contains 174 substances.

Click [here](#) to access the Candidate List.

EUROPE – REACH

Guidance on Substances in Articles updated

On June 2017, ECHA published a comprehensive update to its Guidance on requirements for substances in articles (Version 4.0)

This document provides more clarity and help producers and importers of articles in identifying their obligations under REACH, especially on the communication and notification obligations of companies when substances of very high concern are contained in articles.

Click [here](#) for more information.

EUROPE- REACH



Restriction intention: PAHs on Synthetic turfs

The Netherlands has notified its intention to prepare a restriction proposal on Polycyclic Aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in granules used as infill material in synthetic turf.

The European Chemicals Agency has confirmed its support to The Netherlands in this proposal.

A call for evidence to gather further information will be launched later on this summer and the restriction proposal is expected to be submitted for April 2018.

Click [here](#) to access Current Restriction Intentions.

EUROPE – REACH

Annex XVII Restriction Proposal of 1-methyl-2-pyrrolidone

On July 17, the European Commission (EC) submitted a draft amendment to the World Trade Organisation (WTO) to add a new restriction on 1-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (NMP) (CAS no. 872-50-4) under Annex XVII to REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.

When NMP is present in mixtures in a concentration of 0,3 % or higher, they are to be classified as toxic for reproduction, category 1B according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008. Therefore, NMP shall not be placed on the market as a substance on its own or in mixtures in a concentration equal to or greater than 0,3 % under certain condition.

The draft regulation is supposed to be adopted in the first half of 2018. Comments are due by 60 days from notification.

Proposal can be found [here](#).

EUROPE- REACH



Five Cobalt Salts: Call for evidence launched

ECHA has launched a call for evidence to gather further information regarding the conditions of use of five cobalt salts, potential alternatives available and relevant socio-economic information for the preparation of an Annex XV restriction dossier:

- Cobalt (II) sulphate (EC 233-334-2; CAS 10124-43-3)
- Cobalt dichloride (EC 231-589-4; CAS 7646-79-9)
- Cobalt (II) dinitrate (EC 233-402-1; CAS 10141-05-6)
- Cobalt (II) carbonate (EC 208-169-4; CAS 513-79-1)
- Cobalt (II) diacetate (EC 200-755-8; CAS 71-48-7).

The call ends on 28 September 2017

Calls for comments and evidence can be found [here](#).

EUROPE – CLP

Two CLP Guidance updated

On July 2017, ECHA has published 2 updated versions of the following guidance documents related to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 (CLP):

- **Guidance on the Application of the CLP Criteria:**

The objective of this document is to provide detailed information and guidance on the application of CLP criteria for physical, health and environmental hazards.

This update (Version 5.0) mainly includes the changes from the eighth adaptation to technical progress (ATP), as well as other improvements, and concerns only Part 1 (General Introduction), specific section in Part 2 (Physical Hazards) and Part 3 (Health Hazards).

Click [here](#) to access the guidance.

- **Guidance on labelling and packaging in accordance with Regulation (EC) 1272/2008:**

This update (Version 3.0) aligns the guidance with the eighth adaptation to technical progress (ATP) to CLP Regulation (which brought CLP in line with the fifth revision of the UN Globally Harmonised System – GHS).

It provides clarification on the derogation from labelling requirements for metals in massive form and includes new chapter regarding transport packaging.

Click [here](#) to access the guidance.

EUROPE- REACH

Proposed restriction of Lead and its compounds in shot

ECHA has submitted a report proposing a restriction on the use of lead and its compounds in shot (containing lead in concentrations greater than 1% by weight) for shooting with a shotgun within a wetland or where spent gunshot would land within a wetland, including shooting ranges or shooting grounds in wetlands.

This consultation is open from 21 June 2017 to 21 December 2017.

Submitted restrictions under consideration can be found [here](#).

EUROPE – CLP



RAC's opinion on classification of glyphosate

The Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC), in accordance with Article 37 (4) of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP), adopted an opinion on the proposal for harmonised classification and labelling (CLH) of glyphosate (ISO);N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine (CAS No: 1071-83-6)

This opinion on the proposal submitted by Germany last year has now been sent to the Commission

For further information click [here](#).

EUROPE – BIOCIDES

Different active substances approval status for use in biocidal products

On 14 July 2017, several Regulations and Decisions have been issued regarding different active substances to be used in biocidal products as below:

Reference	Text
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1273 of 14 July 2017 approving active chlorine released from sodium hypochlorite as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5	Link
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1274 of 14 July 2017 approving active chlorine released from calcium hypochlorite as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 2, 3, 4 and 5	Link
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1275 of 14 July 2017 approving active chlorine released from chlorine as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 2 and 5	Link
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1276 of 14 July 2017 approving peracetic acid generated from tetraacetythylenediamine and sodium percarbonate as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 2, 3 and 4	Link
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1277 of 14 July 2017 approving 2-octyl-isothiazol-3(2H)-one as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 8	Link
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1278 of 14 July 2017 approving 2-methylisothiazol-3(2H)-one as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 11	Link
Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/1282 of 14 July 2017 not approving 2-methyl-1,2-benzisothiazol-3(2H)-one as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 13	Link

EUROPE- CLEANING PRODUCTS



EU ecolabel criteria for different cleaning products

On June 2017, different Decisions from the Commission have been issued establishing EU Ecolabel criteria for some cleaning products.

The revised criteria, together with the related assessment and verification requirements, should remain valid for six years from the date of notification of these decisions, taking into account the innovation cycle of this group of products.

The criteria are intended to encourage the use of products that have a reduced impact on aquatic ecosystems, contain a limited amount of hazardous substances, are effective at the recommended temperatures and minimize waste generation by limiting the quantity of packaging.

Reference	Text
Commission Decision (EU) 2017/1214 of 23 June 2017 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for hand dishwashing detergents (notified under document C(2017) 4227)	Link
Commission Decision (EU) 2017/1215 of 23 June 2017 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for industrial and institutional dishwasher detergents (notified under document C(2017) 4228)	Link
Commission Decision (EU) 2017/1216 of 23 June 2017 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for dishwasher detergents (notified under document C(2017) 4240)	Link
Commission Decision (EU) 2017/1217 of 23 June 2017 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for hard surface cleaning products (notified under document C(2017) 4241)	Link
Commission Decision (EU) 2017/1218 of 23 June 2017 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for laundry detergents (notified under document C(2017) 4243)	Link
Commission Decision (EU) 2017/1219 of 23 June 2017 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for industrial and institutional laundry detergents (notified under document C(2017) 4245)	Link

US- CALIFORNIA

California Requires Registration of Pesticide Impregnated Materials Made Products

Effective July 1, 2017, the California Department of Pesticide Regulation(DPR) requests companies to register products as a pesticide if these products are made from pesticide impregnated material and sold to California under companies' own names.

Examples of pesticide impregnated materials affected by this Notice include apparel (e.g., jackets, shirts, hats, socks, pants, shorts) and non-apparel (e.g., bedding, tents, seat covers, chopping blocks, shower curtains, mouse pads) that make pesticide claims.

The DPR issued a notice ([California Notice 2017-08](#)) on May 22, providing guidance for companies which need to submit the application, covering following information:

- Categorical registration- each use category(apparel and/or non-apparel) will need at least one registration for each company brand name;
- Registration requirements;
- Application;
- Labeling-the California registration number is not requested to be on the labeling
- California-only registration number
- Designated agent;
- Changes after product registration-inform the DPR of the changes of registered products
- Revisions to products-labeling changes may need to submit to the DPR before sale within California.
- Renewal;
- California mill assessment

It is noted that treated articles are exempted from the registration for their compliance of the definition in 40 CFR §152.25(a), including articles bearing pesticide claims limited to protect them.

Click [here](#) to get the notice.

US- CALIFORNIA



OEHHA Releases New Q&A on Prop 65 Warning Requirements

The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) of the California Environmental Protection Agency has released a new guidance for businesses in the scope of The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, commonly known as Proposition 65.

The guidance is presented as a detailed 'Q&A' document: *"Clear and reasonable warnings- questions and answers for businesses"*

More details can be found [here](#).

US- CALIFORNIA

California Proposition 65 Reformulations

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.

Find below some recent settlement agreements:

Product	Chemical	Limit	Case No
Vinyl/PVC-coated fencing products	DEHP, DBP, DINP, DIDP, DnHP and BBP	1000ppm	Marin Court CIV 1604383
Vinyl/PVC trays	DEHP	1000ppm	Out of court settlement
Vinyl/PVC balloons	DEHP	1000ppm	Out of Court Settlement
Salon care foam hair roller case	DEHP, DBP, DINP, DIDP, DnHP and BBP	1000ppm	Alameda Court RG17860443
Knee pads with vinyl/PVC components	DEHP	1000ppm	San Francisco Superior Court CGC-16-551061
Vinyl/PVC car shades	DEHP	1000ppm	Out of Court Settlement

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