

REACH Program

Quality Assurance



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Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

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- Any substance on its own, in a preparation or in an article may be subject to EU Community-wide restrictions if its use poses unacceptable risks to health or the environment.
- EU Manufacturers and importers have to generate data for all chemical substances produced or imported into the EU above one tone per year.
- For Substances of very high concern, authorization will be necessary. For some of them, restrictions may be imposed.
- REACH is designed to replace more than 40 existing directives with one overarching regulation of the EU.

Scope of REACH

All substances manufactured or imported into the EU at 1 ton per year or more per manufacturer/importer (legal entity)

- Includes substances supplied in preparations (e.g. mixtures, formulations, bars, powders) to the extent where they are **not covered by other more specific legislation.**
- Includes substances supplied at over 1 ton per year in articles (per producer or importer) if substance is **intended to be released during normal and reasonably foreseeable conditions of use.**

Scope of REACH

Substances exempted from REACH

- Radioactive
- Dangerous goods in transit
- In customs
- Non-isolated intermediates
- Waste (as defined in 2006/12/EC)

Scope of REACH

Substances exempted from Registration

- Human and veterinary medicines
- Food and foodstuff additives
- Plant protection products and biocides
- Isolated intermediates
- Substances used for R&D
- Polymers