

REACH Legal Framework

What is REACH?

REACH is the EU chemicals legislation dealing with the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals. It became law in the UK on 1 June 2007. It covers chemical substances in preparations or in articles intended to be released. This regulation has been adopted by the European Union, to improve the protection of human health and the environment from the risks that can be posed by chemicals, while enhancing the competitiveness of the EU chemicals industry. It also promotes alternative methods for the hazard assessment of substances in order to reduce the number of tests on animals.

Do Mayflex Group and its subsidiary companies produce any chemical substance or mixture?

Mayflex Group does not produce or add any chemicals to the products it supplies, therefore according to the REACH regulation, Mayflex Group and its subsidiary companies are classed as importers or distributors of “articles”.

What are SVHC?

In general terms, SVHC are substances that have hazards with serious consequences, e.g., they cause cancer, or they have other hazardous properties and/or remain in the environment for a long time with their amounts in animals gradually building up. The criteria to identify the above substances are laid down in Article 57. Substances meeting these criteria may be placed on one or both of two lists that are defined in the REACH Regulation: the so called ‘Candidate List’ and the ‘Authorisation List’ (Annex XIV). The candidate lists of SVHC are continually updated and published on the ECHA website <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>

Should any of Mayflex Group’s products be registered with the ECHA?

Any company manufacturing or importing into the EU a substance on its own, in a preparation (mixture of substances), or intentionally released from articles (finished manufactured goods) at or above 1 tonne per year may have to register it. After tests conducted by our suppliers, we can conclude that releases from our products are not likely to occur at levels that would require registration under REACH. Article registration requirements do not therefore apply to Mayflex.

Mayflex Group commitment

According to the REACH regulation, the majority of the products we supply are classified as “articles”. We acknowledge our responsibility as an “actor” in the supply chain to provide information on the composition of the articles we supply to you (Article 33), including confirming the absence or presence of any SVHC (Substance of Very High Concern) when they are present in amounts in excess of 0.1% weight by weight.

We closely monitor the “candidate list”, as published by the European Chemicals Agency, in which substances of very high concern (SVHC) are listed. We continuously evaluate our products proactively to ensure we take appropriate action.

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Mayflex Group REACH COMPLIANCE DECLARATION

Mayflex Group's supply chain is subject to our Compliance Programme and we request our suppliers to provide us with comprehensive information on the presence of substances, including SVHCs, in the items that they supply to us. We regularly update our supplier survey to reflect changes in global legislation which may affect our products (i.e. electrical and electronic products), including revisions to the Candidate List.

As a producer and supplier of articles we have an obligation under Article 33 of REACH to communicate information on SVHCs which are present above a threshold limit of 0.1% weight. In the event that new information becomes available that would necessitate additional measures we will inform our customers as soon as possible via this webpage.

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Our declaration is based on the feedback received from our suppliers. REACH does not require a full content disclosure and preserves the producer's rights to trade secrets. It is our intention to continue to comply with the spirit of the REACH directive as well as the letter of the law.

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