

REACH Compliance Statement

Background of REACH

In June 2007, the European Union Regulation **(EC) 1907/2006** concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) was first released. The regulation came into force on 1st June 2007 and established European Chemical Agency **(ECHA)** which manages the Technical & Scientific aspects of REACH. This Regulation establishes specific duties and obligations for companies in the European Union (EU) that manufacture or import substances on their own, in preparations, or in articles.

Consideration of REACH

REACH adopted to address the production and use of chemical substances and their potential impacts on both Human Health and the Environment and to improve the same from the risks that can be posed by chemicals. REACH promotes alternative methods for the assessment of Hazardous Substances in order to reduce the number of tests on animals. REACH Regulation also imposes restrictions on Hazardous Substances in preparations or articles that present risks to Human Health or the environment.

Amendments

Commission Regulation **(EU) 2015/830 dated 28 May 2015** amending Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 released a list of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) which is updated **January & June of every year**.

REACH Annex XIV: REACH Authorization List 2023

REACH Annex XIV is also called REACH Authorization list. It contains a list of substances subject to authorization under EU REACH regulation. The Amendment of the Authorisation List Annex XIV to REACH published on 11 April 2022 in the EU's Official Journal with 59 entries in the Authorisation List. Substances in the list are selected from REACH SVHC list and they cannot be placed on the market or used after a given date ("sunset date"), unless an authorization is granted for their specific use, or the use is exempted from Authorization which list are selected from the **REACH SVHC list** titled "**Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) for Authorization**" (**240 substances updated on 23 Jan 2024**) which is published by ECHA (European Chemical Agency) in accordance with Article 59(10) of the REACH Regulation. Companies may have immediate legal obligations following the inclusion of a substance in the Candidate List including in particular Articles 7, 31 and 33 of the REACH Regulation.

REACH Restricted Substance List 2023 (REACH Annex XVII)

Annex XVII is part of the REACH Regulation (EC)1907/2006. The Annex XVII of REACH regulation contains the list of restricted certain hazardous substances, mixtures and articles for their marketing and use on the European market. Annex XVII to REACH includes all the restrictions adopted in the framework of REACH and the previous legislation, Directive 76/769/EEC. This restriction can apply to any substance on its own, in a mixture or in an article, including those that do not require registration, The list is simply known as **REACH Annex XVII Substances List** with currently 71 unique substances/entries as on **05 January 2023**. Annex XVII of the REACH regulation imposes restrictions on hazardous substances in preparations or articles that present risks to human health or the environment.

SCIP under EU WFD

The European Union (EU) Waste Framework Directive **(WFD) (2008/98/EC)** updated in 2018, mandating the creation of the **Substances of Concern In articles, as such or in complex objects (Products) (SCIP) database**. All producers, importers and suppliers of articles containing Substances of Very High Concern **(SVHCs)** above the 0.1% weight by weight (w/w) threshold in the EU market are required to submit to the SCIP database by January 5, 2021.

Main Objectives of SCIP Database

- Decrease the generation of waste containing hazardous substances by supporting the substitution of substances of concern in articles placed on the EU market.
- Make information available to further improve the waste treatment operations
- Allow authorities to monitor the use of substances of concern in articles and initiate appropriate actions over the whole lifecycle of articles, including at their waste stage.

REACH Compliance Statement

Requirement and Obligation

Companies are urged to check their legal obligations relating to the safe use of their substances. From January 2021, Companies will also have to notify the products containing SVHCs to ECHA's upcoming SCIP database on substances of concern in articles and products. The SCIP database aims to ensure transparent information on articles containing hazardous chemicals throughout their whole lifecycle.

Talema's Statement

It is our intention to

- Identify all substances within our products and ensure that our suppliers (Manufacturers or Distributors)
- Work closely with our supply chain in order to minimize & manage any potential risks associated used materials
- Communicate sufficient information to relevant stakeholders in order to provide information on identified uses within the meaning of REACH
- Follow up the instructions on **Safety Data Sheets (SDS) or Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)** and providing information on exposure scenario
- Providing our customer with information regarding hazards, risks & safe conditions of use of our products through material Safety Data Sheets
- Managing the risk of these chemicals and giving customers information on their use
- Continuously monitoring the presence of substances having more than 0.1% against complete **240** substances from SVHC List (**Last updated 23 Jan 2024**) and inform the customer if required, **according to ANNEX XIV REACH Authorization List and REACH restricted substances list REACH Annex XVII.**
- Monitoring the **Substances of Concern** In articles as such or in complex objects (**Products**) **SCIP** under **Waste Framework directive (WFD) (2008/98/EC)** and initiating appropriate actions over the Supply Chain.

Declaration

To the best of our knowledge, none of the substances in the below Candidate List are expected to present in articles above the concentration of 0.1% (w/w) weight by weight threshold level in Talema Products.

Candidate List of substances of very high concern (SVHC) for Authorisation

Published in accordance with Article 59(10) of the REACH Regulation)

<https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>

List of substances included in Annex XIV of REACH Authorization List 2023

<https://echa.europa.eu/-/echa-adds-five-hazardous-chemicals-to-the-candidate-list>

Restrictions adopted in the framework of Restricted Substances List - REACH Annex XVII

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

Links related to SCIP Requirements and Notifications

<https://echa.europa.eu/scip>

<https://echa.europa.eu/understanding-wfd>

https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/28213971/Information_requirements_for_scip_notifications_en.pdf/db2cf898-5ee7-48fb-e5c8-4e6ce49ee9d2

Legal Insight

The determination is based on information from the sources which we believe are reliable. Product users are responsible for determining the applicability of REACH and other related Environmental Regulations based on their individual usage of the final product.

Contact

- For further information and other Compliances which Talema Comply with, Pls visit:
<https://talema.com/corporate-responsibility/>
- Any queries on REACH Compliance can be directed to: compliance@talema.com
- If compliance certification on our specific products is needed, we can also provide such certification on request.

