



REACH – Statement

Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction of Chemical (REACH) Regulation 1907/2006

In broad outline this legislation will require manufacturers and suppliers of specified hazardous chemicals (either as substance on their own or present in compounds or articles) to; prepare documentation concerning their risk, use and labelling, register them with the European Chemical Agency (ECHA) - if not already registered, and advise customers formally of their presence and the necessary safety precautions to be adopted.

Within the EU these responsibilities will generally fall upon the manufacturer but if the listed chemicals (or articles containing them) are produced outside the Union this responsibility may fall upon the importer.

The regulations have been implemented in stages starting with the original list of **15 Substances of Very High Concern issued by the ECHA in October 2008. Later additions have now increased the candidate list of regulated chemicals to 205.**

Should these chemicals be imported into the EU in quantities of 1 tonne or more per annum, registration will be required. Where their presence in any particular product exceeds a concentration $>0.1\%$, customers must be informed and material safety data sheets (MSDS) provided.

Further limits and deadlines will apply to less dangerous substances.

IHL, as a first line importer, are not required to register any listed substances as the quantity traded is unlikely to exceed the annual weight quota. However, where SVHCs are identified as being present in excess of 0.1%, IHL will provide the required MSDSs to enable our customers to handle, use, label, and dispose of our products safely.

As part of our customer's efforts to reassure in-turn their customers, we have received many questionnaires requesting the detailed chemical contents of our products; all such requests are being logged and will be answered in due course as our own enquiries are completed.

For further information or to enquire in detail regarding products supplied by Inelco Hunter Limited, please contact our Engineering department on the following e-mail address: engineering@inelcohunter.co.uk

Be assured that IHL is aware of the REACH legislation and the regular updates to the SVHC list.

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