

REACH – The EU chemicals legislation



What is REACH?

To ensure a high level of chemicals safety and a competitive chemicals industry, the REACH system - the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals was proposed by the European Commission, and it came into force in June 2007.

European manufacturers and importers' responsibilities

According to REACH it is a general obligation for European manufacturers and importers of chemicals to submit a registration to the Agency for each substance manufactured or imported in quantities of 1 ton or more per year. If a company fails to register a substance it means that the company is no longer allowed to manufacture or import this substance.

What are Chinese exporters' responsibilities?

Correspondingly, Chinese exporters are responsible for providing correct information about the chemical substances and products exported in order to make the European importer able to register.

Chinese exporters can also select a so called "only representatives" to take care of all or part of the whole registration. In that way importers in Europe do not have to register.

What are downstream users and distributors' responsibilities?

Downstream users (DU) may be any European industrial user of chemicals, whether paint producers, users of chemicals, such as oils and lubricants in other industrial processes, or producers of manufactured articles such as electronic components. They are required to consider the safety of their use of substances, based primarily on information from their suppliers, and to apply appropriate risk management measures.

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- How to comply with REACH in relation to your European importers
- Practical solutions to REACH problems

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