Overview of REACH Registration requirements



Only substances which have been correctly registered can be manufactured or imported in the EU. Although registration has been compulsory from 1 June 2008, there are transitional arrangements until 1 June 2018 for most substances, provided they are correctly pre-registered as follows:

- a. by 30 November 2010:
 - i. substances manufactured or imported at 1000 tpa or above;
 - ii. substances classified as R50/53 at 100 tpa or above;
 - iii. substances classified as CMR (Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive toxin) category 1 or 2, at 1 tpa or above;
- b. by 31 May 2013: substances manufactured or imported at 100 tpa or above; and
- c. by 31 May 2018: substances manufactured or imported at 1 tpa or above.

Data requirements increase as designated tonnage thresholds are crossed. The technical dossier submitted during registration contains information on substance properties (physical, toxicological and ecotoxicological), defined uses and measures to be taken to reduce risks during handling and use.

For hazardous substances manufactured or imported at 10 tpa or above, the registration submission includes a chemical safety report which further details risks, together with relevant exposure scenarios and risk management measures.

There are likely to be a relatively small number of instances when substances in articles (objects with specific form, shape or design) must be registered or notified to ECHA. The instances are as follows:

- registration: the substance is intentionally released when an article is used (e.g scented clothing), and is present in the article in quantities totalling 1 tpa tonne or more, per producer or importer, per year; and
- notification: the substance is not intentionally released, but is a Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC), present at 0.1 per cent w/w or above, and placed on the market at one tpa or more, per producer or importer, per year. In certain cases, ECHA may subsequently request a registration to be undertaken.

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