

Product Safety Compliance Update



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Introduction

HQTS-QAI

We have been helping companies ensure the unique safety and compliance requirements of a broad range of consumer products since 2003.

Our veteran scientific and engineering staff can provide technical guidance, quality assurance, specifications assessments, training and import export compliance evaluation.



Laws and Regulations Updated

EU published Decision (EU) 2017/1210

On 6 July 2017, Council of the European Union officially published Commission Implementing Decision [\(EU\) 2017/1210](#) of 4 July 2017

Substance added to the Candidate List

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Commission Implementing Decision(EU) 2017/1210(As regards SVHC)

On 6 July 2017, Council of the European Union officially published Commission Implementing Decision([EU](#) [2017/1210](#) of 4 July 2017 , on the identification of bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP), benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP) and diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP) as substances of very high concern according to [Article](#) 57 (f) of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council (notified under document C (2017) 4462).

These substances are identified as substances having endocrine disrupting properties whose effects to human health give rise to an equivalent level of concern.

The entry of the substances specified in paragraph1 in the candidate list referred to in Article 59 (1) of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 shall be amended by adding, under “Reason for inclusion”, ”Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to human health.



One new substance added to the Candidate List (As regards PFHxS)

On 10 July 2017 , ECHA added one new very persistent and very bioaccumulative substance ([PFHxS](#)) to the Candidate List based on a proposal from Sweden. The Candidate List of substances of very high concern (SVHCs) for authorisation now contains 174 substances.

[PFHxS](#) belongs to the group of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs).It may be used as a plasticiser, lubricant, surfactant, wetting agent, corrosion inhibitor and in fire-fighting foams.

Detail of PFHxS is as follows:

Substance name	EC number	CAS number	Reason for inclusion	Examples of use(s)
Perfluorohexane-1-sulfonic acid and its salts (PFHxS)	-	-	vPvB (Article 57e)	Not yet registered under REACH. May be used as a plasticiser, lubricant, surfactant, wetting agent, corrosion inhibitor and in fire-fighting foams.