

REACH

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Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation of Hazardous Chemicals EC1907/2006

The regulation entails companies that make or import hazardous chemicals in the EU to register the use of these materials and detail the hazard via the relevant material safety data sheet.

- AEV have identified all substances used that are within the scope of the regulation
- Within the regulation AEV are categorized as formulators of preparations for downstream user.
- For all of the substances used in AEV's preparations, registration and authorization is undertaken by suppliers further up the supply chain.
- Suppliers to AEV have been contacted and have confirmed that all materials supplied to AEV have been pre-registered by themselves or suppliers further up the supply chain.
- None of the chemicals on the present published restricted list are used in AEV's preparations.
- For all products, continuity of supply to customers is assured.
- For downstream users of AEV preparations, safety data sheets have been prepared for use of the products. These include risk management measures, where relevant, in processes for adhesion, coating, impregnation, molding, and other such protective and support applications to various components, machines and other equipment especially in the electrical and electronics industry.
- If customers need to use AEV products in alternative applications these would need to be advised to AEV and up through the supply chain.
- A record of the supply chain of AEV's suppliers and customers is being maintained.
- Customers and distributors of AEV products are both downstream users. They need to make equivalent records of the supply chain.

It is thought that the legislation for **REACH** will change to become more and more inclusive and restrictive in chemical use. AEV will continually monitor and review the information on **REACH** and strive to make the product range safer, whilst keeping customers informed and maintaining the continuity of supply.

Yours faithfully

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