

General things

REACH & CLP: on-going public consultation

Several public consultations are on-going and available on the ECHA website. They are related to new proposals for harmonized classification and labelling, testing proposals, proposals for restrictions and the draft recommendation for inclusion in Annex XIV (authorisation).

- [proposals for harmonized classification and labelling](#): related to a multi-constituent substance and a pesticide (hydroxyisohexyl 3-cyclohexene carboxaldehyde and bupimate), deadline 16/08/2013.
- [testing proposals](#): there are 2 deadlines: 16/08/2013 (76 substances) and 2/09/2013 (16 substances).
- Restriction proposals:
[Call for evidence](#) on the use of cadmium-based pigments in plastics in order to assess the need for expanding the current restriction, deadline 29/08/2013.
[Restriction proposal](#) is on-going on lead and lead compounds in articles intended for consumer use, deadline 21/09/2013.
- [draft recommendation for inclusion in Annex XIV](#): related to 5 substances: Aluminosilicate Refractory Ceramic Fibres (Al-RCF), Zirconia Aluminosilicate Refractory Ceramic Fibres (Zr-RCF), N,N-dimethylformamide (DMF), C,C'-azodi(formamide) (ADCA), 4-(1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyl)phenol, ethoxylated (4-tert-OPnEO), deadline 23/09/2013.

Save the date !

You will find in [section "agenda"](#) all the events that the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg has planned for 2013 and a selection of events organized at international level.

[A flyer to download](#) brings together the list of event but also the services we offer as national helpdesk. To best meet your needs, the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg offers:

- [free contact](#) point to answer your specific questions.
- website: www.reach.lu.
- [tools](#) and useful information: brochures, newsletters, REACH Excel Tool
- information sessions.

All these services are available in French and German: contact us!

New structure for the "FAQ" and "Q&A" sections on ECHA's website

The sections [Frequently Asked Questions «FAQ»](#) et [«Questions and Answers»](#) on ECHA's website have been restructured to facilitate its access to users.

Now, a new unique ID is assigned to all Q&A and FAQ pairs. If you need to find the respective new unique ID from the previous numerical reference of the Q&A and FAQ, please check the transitional, [available here](#).

Substitution under REACH, CLP and Biocidal Products Regulation

The whole system of REACH, CLP and the new Biocidal Products Regulation (BPR) is built towards substituting dangerous chemicals with safer ones. *Jack de Bruijn*, ECHA's Director for Risk Management, explains that the objectives of REACH and CLP will be achieved through better knowledge on the properties and uses of chemicals, which results in e.g. safer use and reduced exposure; and through using safer alternatives to substances of very high concern. ECHA will intensify its role in promoting substitution in all areas of the regulations.

For example, ECHA will further develop their website to guide users to the relevant explanations on how the substitution mechanisms are foreseen to work and will also continue the dialogue with the accredited stakeholders on how to further promote substitution. For further information please refer to the [ECHA Newsletter on promoting substitution](#).



Presentations from the conference held on 20 June 2013

More than 60 people attended the conference on "REACH & CLP: obligations of users of chemical products", organized on June 20, 2013 by the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg. Under the sign of the exchange of experiences and advices, the workshop brought together experts in the field, from Luxembourg, whose interventions highlighted the obligations for users of chemicals as defined in the REACH and CLP regulations.

Find the program and presentations on [the website of the event](#) (in French).

REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restrictions of CHemicals)

ECHA and stakeholders set out actions to improve chemical safety reports and safety data sheets

ECHA published a roadmap towards enhancing the quality of the information communicated in the exposure scenarios of the chemical safety reports and the extended safety data sheets.

The roadmap, which sets out a long-term action plan, has been prepared together by Cefic, DUCC, Concawe, eight Member States and ECHA. In addition, various industry associations and Member States have already signed up. ECHA is now calling for more stakeholders to join in. Further information on the foreseen actions and how to contribute to them is available on [ECHA's website](#).

Authorisation: Candidate List updated in June

Six substances are added to the Candidate List for authorisation. The Candidate List now contains 144 substances. As a reminder, the use of these "substances of very high concern" (SVHC) is not forbidden. They may continue to be placed on the market but are subject to communication duties by suppliers in accordance with Articles 31, 32 and 33 of REACH.

As foreseen by REACH, a specific procedure will be followed to decide when these SVHC should be included in the list of substances subject to Authorisation (Annex XIV of the REACH Regulation).

Manufacturers and importers of articles that contain one of the substances must notify ECHA pursuant to Article 7.2 REACH. The deadline for notifying these six substances is 20 December 2013.

More information in [ECHA's news](#) and consultation of the [Candidate List here](#).

Authorisation: new video tutorial: How to prepare and submit an application for authorisation to ECHA

The [video](#) covers key steps in preparing and submitting an application for authorisation, and gives instructions on how to: sign up in REACH-IT, create a IUCLID substance dataset, generate the application form, confirm participation in a joint application, generate the IUCLID dossier and submit the application.

Restrictions: user friendly list of Restrictions (annex XVII)

ECHA has published a user friendly Annex XVII table listing the restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixture and articles. The table contains links to the latest consolidated version of the REACH Regulation as well as appendices, new amendments and links to the latest Q&As connected to the specific entries. [The table is available here](#).

For further information, please visit [our website](#)





CLP (Classification, Labelling and Packaging of substances and mixtures)

Harmonised classifications according to the DSD now available in the C&L Inventory

Since June 2013, the harmonised classification and labelling according to the criteria of the Dangerous Substances Directive (DSD) are available in the classification and labelling inventory available on ECHA's website ([C&L Inventory](#)).

The C&L Inventory contains classification and labelling information on notified and registered substances received from manufacturers and importers. It also includes the list of harmonised classifications (Tables 3.1 and 3.2 of Annex VI to the CLP Regulation).

This addition is to help users who still classify and label their mixtures according to the DSD. More information in [ECHA's new alert](#) and in the [fact sheet on the public inventory](#).

CLP: opinions from Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC).

Recently, The Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) adopted 13 opinions for harmonised classification and labelling (CLH) of substances.

Substances concerned are: Nitric acid, Etridiazole, Metosulam, Octanoic acid, Nonanoic Acid, Decanoic acid, 1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid, dihexyl ester, branched and linear, Imazalil, Tebuconazole, Dimethenamid-P, Carvone, Tembotrione, Flonicamid.

Based on the opinions adopted by RAC, the European commission prepares decision for introducing new harmonised entries in Annex XIV to the CLP regulation.

More information in [ECHA's new alert](#), including the use of these substances and the proposed classification. You will also find additional information on the role of the RAC and the procedure for adoption of harmonised classification and labelling in the [presentation made by ECHA](#) at the annual conference of REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg 2012.

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AGENDA

National events

- 27-29 September 2013: Stand of CRP Henri Tudor during Oeko-foire, Luxexpo, Luxembourg Kirchberg, in French and German
- 3 October 2013: REACH Excel Tool training, CRP Henri Tudor, Luxembourg Kirchberg, 14:00 to 16:00, in French.
- 17 October 2013: REACH&CLP Coffee on the authorisation procedure, Luxembourg Kirchberg, 15:00 to 16:00, in English.
- 5 December 2013: Annual conference and networking lunch, Chamber of Commerce, Luxembourg Kirchberg, in French and German.

International events

- 22-23 October 2013: Workshop: "Content essentials on use, exposure and risks in Chemical Safety Reports (CSR/ES Roadmap action 1.1)", ECHA, Helsinki, Finland. Further information [here](#).
- 21-22 November 2013: Fifth meeting of the ECHA-Stakeholder Exchange Network on Exposure Scenarios (ENES 5), Brussels, Belgium. Further information [here](#).

Webinar

ECHA organises a series of webinars on different topics. The webinars already held and the Webinar programme for 2013 can be consulted on [ECHA Webinars section](#) of ECHA's website.

- 11 September 2013: How to bring your registration dossier in compliance with REACH – Tips and Hints (part 4).
- 19 September 2013: Downstream users: Navigations ECHA's website for information on chemical substances.
- 27 November 2013: How to bring your registration dossier in compliance with REACH – Tips and Hints (part 5).

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