

Manufacturer Declaration



..... Integrated measurement & control

On June 1, 2007 Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 concerning Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemical substances¹ (acronym: "REACH") came into force.

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Hereby declares^{2,3} that

imc as a manufacturer of electronic products is a so-called "downstream user" pursuant to REACH. Our customers obtain from us exclusively non-chemical products. Under normal, and reasonably foreseeable circumstances of operation, our products will also not release any chemical substances.

imc is in principle not obligated to register in accordance with REACH, nor to compose safety spec sheets.

As far as we know at present, however, our articles do not currently contain any substances above 0.1 mass-% per product that could be included on the candidate list.

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¹ Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND COUNCIL of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC

² On June 1, 2007, a fundamental reform of European law concerning chemicals has taken effect in the form of the REACH regulation. REACH regulates the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of chemical substances used in the European Community (EC). It is intended to provide improved protection of humans and the environment from chemical contamination. Crucial to these efforts is knowledge of the properties and dangers posed by chemical substances, as well as the propagation of this information among scientists and other users. For this reason, the REACH regulations stipulate at many instances the transmission of information along the supply chain.

REACH contains the following stipulations:

1. From 1 June 2008, manufacturers of substances, and importers of substances as such or of substances in preparations (mixtures) into the European Community (EC) and the European Economic Area (EEA), must register these substances with the European Chemicals Agency if the substances in question are manufactured or imported in quantities of at least 1 t/a and if they are not substances that are exempted from compulsory registration. So-called "phase-in substances" – these are, for example, substances that are shown on the existing substances list EINECS – can be pre-registered between 1 June 2008 and 1 December, 2008. Pre-registered substances do not have to be registered until later, depending on the quantity manufactured/imported.
2. Suppliers of substances and preparations must provide the recipient with either a safety datasheet (Article 31) or safety information (Article 32). In certain cases, the safety data sheet will be supplemented by an annex ("extended safety data sheet") showing the relevant exposure scenarios.
3. Manufacturers and importers of articles that contain more than 0.1 mass percent per article of a substance on the "candidate list" shall provide the professional recipient and on request a consumer of the article with sufficient information to allow safe use of the article, including, as a minimum, the name of that substance. If all these articles contain more than 1 t/a a notification to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is necessary, however, not before 1 June 2011.
4. From 1 June 2008, users of chemicals (substances and preparations/mixtures) – so-called "downstream users" – will have to comply with other obligations, but in some cases only after they have received an extended safety data sheet. Downstream users can provide appropriate information so as to assist the manufacturers of substances and importers of substances and preparations in registering them.

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[1] ZVEI: Hinweise zu den Informationspflichten von Unternehmen nach Art. 33 der REACH-Verordnung ("Notes on the Companies' Duty to Furnish Information per Art. 33 of REACH")

[2] ZVEI: Guide to Responding to Inquiries About REACH, Edition: March, 2008

³ This manufacturer declaration applies categorically only to systems delivered by imc, with accessories.

The user is responsible for any modifications or expansions and for ensuring that the modified system complies with applicable EC guidelines.