

AFEMEA REACH STATEMENT

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The REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 deals with the placing on the market and the use of chemical substances in the EU. Amcor Flexibles EMEA is aware of its legal obligations under the REACH Regulation and is committed to fulfilling them. We are, in the REACH terminology, a manufacturer of articles and a downstream user of substances.

The finished products we supply to our customers are articles. We generally do not have any obligations to register substances contained in our raw materials or products.

When requested, we assist our suppliers regarding our use of any substance, to allow the supplier to create a REACH compliant Safety Data Sheet (SDS). REACH compliant SDS are not required for the articles we supply.

The Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) is regularly updated by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA), and we monitor these updates on an ongoing basis. The current list can be found at <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>. Four substances were added on 26 June 2020. We confirm that to the best of our knowledge none of our products contains any of the currently listed SVHC in a concentration of 0.1% or above. We will communicate with customers should this status change.

These SVHC substances are not banned upon listing in the Candidate List, but rather they will be subject to a future decision on an Authorisation for their use and the conditions of that Authorisation. Nevertheless, there are immediate obligations from the inclusion of a substance on the Candidate List, which we are committed to comply with:

- if we receive information from a supplier, leading to a conclusion that one of our products contains a SVHC in a concentration of 0.1% or above, we have to immediately inform our customers;
- if a customer forwards us a question from a consumer, we have to reply within 45 days if our product contains any SVHC at 0.1% or above, giving the identity of the substance.

SVHC substances are inserted into Annex XIV, the Authorisation List, by amendments to the REACH Regulation. This is the starting point for manufacturers and importers of those substances to apply for an authorisation for specific continued use(s) after the listed 'sunset dates'. It should be noted that Articles 2 and 56 of the Regulation provide certain exemptions from Authorisation for substances used in food, food contact materials, cosmetics and medicinal products.

We try to anticipate future developments by monitoring ECHA's public [consultations](#) and [newsletters](#), as well as [amendments](#) to the Regulation. A consolidated version of the REACH Regulation is available on the European Commission website [here](#) and on the ECHA website [here](#).

In summary, AFEMEA is meeting its REACH obligations and managing the information flow as required by the Regulation. Our products comply with the relevant provisions of REACH including Annexes XIV and XVII in as far as they are applicable to our products. Should you require more information, please contact customer service at the AFEMEA site supplying you.

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