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## REACH & Substances of Very High Concern (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation & restriction of CHemicals)

## **EU & UK REACH — Reference** (http://www.hse.gov.uk/reach/index.htm)

REACH is a European Union regulation concerning the **R**egistration, **E**valuation, **A**uthorisation and restriction of **Ch**emicals. It came into force on 1st June 2007 and replaces a number of European Directives and Regulations with a single system.

Under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, the EU REACH Regulation was brought into UK law on 1 January 2021 and is known as UK REACH.

Presspahn currently does not import from outside the EU or manufacture more than 1 tonne of any substance and therefore is not required to register this information with the European Chemicals Agency.

Presspahn is though in a process of communication with its suppliers to ensure that were applicable the regulations are adhered to.

## SVHC

Substances that may have serious and often irreversible effects on human health and the environment can be identified as substances of very high concern (SVHCs). If a substance is identified as an SVHC, it will be added to the Candidate List for eventual inclusion in the Authorisation List.

Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation <a href="http://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table">http://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table</a>

Presspahn has requested confirmation from all suppliers that products delivered are free from any substances listed on the Candidate list and will continue to request updates if changes occur.

Products and materials supplied by Presspahn can be considered compliant apart from the highlighted exceptions.

## **Exceptions**

Nomex 410 – may contain DMAc in a concentration above 0.1%w/w

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