

Compliance Clip

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The SVHC Candidate List now includes 201 substances

On July 16, 2019 ECHA added four new substances to the SVHC candidate list, it contains now 201 substances. The complete [Candidate List of substances of very high concern](#) can be found on the ECHA website.

The four added substances per decision ED/71/2019 are:

Substance name	CAS#	EC#	Properties
2-methoxyethyl acetate	110-49-6	203-772-9	Toxic for reproduction
Tris(4-nonylphenyl, branched and linear) phosphite (TNPP) with ≥ 0.1% w/w of 4- nonylphenol, branched and linear (4-NP)	-	-	Endocrine disrupting properties
2,3,3,3-tetrafluoro-2-(heptafluoropropoxy)propionic acid, its salts and its acyl halides (covering any of their individual isomers and combinations thereof)	-	-	Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to the environment; Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to human health
4-tert-butylphenol	98-54-4	202-679-0	Endocrine disrupting properties

Substances are added to the Candidate List only after chemical studies have been completed and comments have been evaluated. The ECHA website provides links to so-called “support documents” that provide all details on the justification, assessments and conclusion for each SVHC. The support documents can be very comprehensive.

Obligations for SVHCs

For manufacturers of products (articles) it is important to know which SVHCs are present with a concentration above 0,1% (weight-by-weight). If this is the case then the following three obligations apply:

- **Notification:** ECHA must be notified for each SVHC present in quantities totalling over 1 tonne per year.
- **Communication:** The supply chain shall be provided with sufficient information to allow safe use of the article including, as a minimum, the name of the SVHC.
- **Information:** On request consumers shall receive sufficient information to allow safe use of the article, including, as a minimum, the name of the SVHC. Free of charge, within 45 days.

Authorisation (Annex XIV)

SVHC’s are candidates that may not be allowed to be imported, marketed or used later in time. These substances are then added to Annex XIV of REACH and one can only continue using these substances after authorisation has been granted.

Restrictions (Annex XVII)

Annex XVII of the REACH regulation contains a list of restrictions in use of substances. Some SVHC’s are also listed in Annex XVII and must comply with the restrictions additionally.



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