



168 SVHCs – Five new substances of very high concern (SVHCs) added to the Candidate List

On 17 December 2015, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) officially added five new SVHCs to the Candidate List due to the carcinogenic, toxic to reproduction, persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), and very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) properties of the substances. The Candidate List of substances of very high concern (SVHCs) for authorization now contains 168 substances.

Substances listed on the Candidate list carry an immediate requirement for communication where they are present in products imported into Europe in concentrations of 0.1% or more by weight. This requirement exists for substances, mixtures and articles. These substances may also be recommended for inclusion to the authorization list or become subject to restriction. Once they are on the Authorization List, industry will need permission to continue using the substance after the sunset date.

Intertek's Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) Services

Intertek offers SVHC testing, consulting, and risk assessment services to assist companies determine the presence or amount of SVHC substances in their products. If a product is determined to contain any SVHCs, Intertek can provide risk assessments to identify in which assembly, component or material the SVHC is present, identify other products in your portfolio that have a risk, create a replacement strategy, and prepare REACH disclosure documentation and safe use instructions fulfilling the REACH requirements while assuring your business in the EU is not interrupted.

Substances included in the Candidate List for authorization on 17 December 2015 and their SVHC properties:

Item	Substances	CAS number	SVHC property
1.	Nitrobenzene	98-95-3	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)
2.	2,4-di-tert-butyl-6-(5-chlorobenzotriazol-2-yl)phenol (UV-327)	3864-99-1	vPvB (Article 57 e)
3.	2-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4-(tert-butyl)-6-(sec-butyl)phenol (UV-350)	36437-37-3	vPvB (Article 57 e)
4.	1,3-propanesultone	1120-71-4	Carcinogenic (Article 57 a)
5.	Perfluorononan-1-oic-acid and its sodium and ammonium salts	375-95-1 21049-39-8 4149-60-4	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57 c) PBT (Article 57 d)

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