One new substance on the ECHA Candidate List (SVHC List)

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On June 10, 2022, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) added N-(hydroxymethyl)acrylamide to the Candidate List for Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) due to concerns of carcinogenicity and mutagenicity.

With the new addition announced, the ECHA Candidate List, which is reviewed twice a year, now contains 224 SVHC that may have serious effects on human health and/or the environment.

Some of these entries cover groups of chemicals. The overall number of impacted chemical substances is even higher (> 450 substances).

Once a substance is added to the Candidate List, companies must follow their legal obligations and need to declare the substances if present. Article 33(1) requires manufacturers and importers of articles (products) to inform customers of the presence of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in their products exceeding 0.1 % by weight and to provide instructions on safe use of the product.

Additionally, article suppliers must notify SVHCs to ECHA's Substances of Concern In Products (SCIP) database under the Waste Framework Directive (WFD).

INFORMATION ABOUT NEW SVHC

1. N-(hydroxymethyl)acrylamide (CAS no. 924-42-5)

Reason for inclusion - Carcinogenic (Article 57a), Mutagenic (Article 57b)

As a monomer for polymerisation, as a fluoroalkyl acrylate copolymer, and in paints and coatings.

Note:

N-(hydroxymethyl)acrylamide is regulated in Food Contact Materials in the EU (including Switzerland, specific migration limit (SML) of 0.01 mg/kg (not detected) according to Regulation (EU) No. 10/2011), US and China. Therefore is very likely to be present in different products in small quantities. Based on available data, it can be assumed that contents above 0.1% in articles are unlikely.



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