

REACH information requirement: Epson Article Declaration

As a part of Epson's commitment to the environment we continuously work on improving the environmental performance of our products. Over the last years the focus of our environmental program has, amongst others, been focused on the safe use of chemicals substances within our products. The continuous efforts of our engineers will ensure that all our products meet the requirements of the European REACH (EC) No 1907/2006 Regulation.

Epson declares that an internal procedure has been launched to define Epson obligations under REGULATION (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006. Focus is placed on information requirements concerning the use of chemical substances in our products. We will ensure compliance with the new information requirements regarding Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) included within the candidate list for authorization.

The first candidate list has been published on 28 October 2008. You can find the updated version of the candidate list on the official website of the European Chemical Agency: http://echa.europa.eu/chem_data/candidate_list_table_en.asp

The candidate list for authorization consists in the first step of the authorisation process established by REACH Regulation. The substances to be included into this list are substances of very high concern, as defined by the Directive 67/548/EEC on dangerous substances. This list is a living document: it is to be updated on a regular basis.

According to Article 33 of REACH Regulation, as soon as the candidate list is published or updated, any supplier of an article containing a substance on the candidate list in a concentration above 0,1 % weight by weight (w/w) shall provide direct customers with sufficient information on this substance to allow safe use of the article.

Epson conducted a chemical survey for all our products which could contain the substances included within the first candidate list. The survey has now been finalised.

Please refer to the annex of this letter for Epson general declaration.

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REACH Epson article Declaration

1. Identity of supplier

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Date of candidate list: 28 October 2008

2. Substances included on the candidate list contained in Epson products

According to article 59 of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (so-called REACH Regulation), the candidate list has been published, on 28 October 2008, on the website of the European Chemical Agency: <u>http://echa.europa.eu/chem_data_en.asp</u>.

The majority of products and packaging as manufactured and/or supplied by Epson do not contain substances on the REACH SVHC candidate list in concentration over 0.1% by weight per article. The articles listed below may contain a SVHC listed on the candidate list over this threshold.

Substance name	CAS number	Article	Application
Bis(2-ethyl(hexyl)phthalate)	117-81-7	PVC power cables used	Plasticizer in PVC cable
[DEHP]		for Epson products.	
Diarsenic trioxide	1327-53-3	Projector lamps	Defoaming agent for
			glass

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