

REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals) is a European Union Commission (EUC) Regulation on chemicals and their safe use. The REACH regulations became effective on 1 June 2007 and aim of improve the protection of human health and the environment through earlier and more substantial identification procedures of the properties of chemical substances.

According to the Article 33 (1) of REACH, the suppliers are obliged to communicate information on substances in their products. If the substances' concentration in the referred articles (products) are above 0.1% weight by weight (w/w) they have to provide the recipient of the article with sufficient information, to allow safe use of the article including, as a minimum, the name of that substance.

## Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) – Annex XIV

A substance which is listed on the "candidate list" published by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) in accordance with Article 59(10) of the REACH Regulation is updated 2 times a year. As of **7 november 2024**, there were **242** substances on the Candidate List of substances of very high concern for Authorisation.

**Holland Shielding Systems** products currently **do not contain** substances listed on the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern, published by the ECHA on its website on the date of this statement, in excess of the applicable legal thresholds.

The most recent version of the Candidate list can be found on https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table

## **Annex XVII Restrictions**

Holland Shielding Systems continue to monitor the ongoing amendments to Annex XVII of REACH. While these amendments introduced some new restrictions they primarily replaces a number of European Union directives by consolidating existing restrictions, including those that had been implemented as amendments to Directive 76/769/EEC. In many cases, Annex XVII restrictions are application specific. We have determined to that our products are compliant with Annex XVII restrictions. We will continue to monitor the new additions to Annex XVII and will update our compliance statement as appropriate.

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