

Situation of Eurocarbon BV under REACH:

In June 2007 Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 of the European Union (EU) started. REACH stands for Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals.

All substances used in the EU shall be examined systematically on their toxicological and ecological properties, their usage along the product chain including controlled exposure and mitigation of risks. All manufacturers, importers and downstream users of substances and preparations above 1 ton per year per legal organisation are affected. This way, REACH will have big impact on the European chemical industry, thus also on Eurocarbon BV.

Articles have to be registrated or notified only if the substances in articles have the following conditions:

Registration

- The substance is intended to be released during normal and reasonable foreseeable conditions of use.
- The total amount of the substance present in the article exceeds 1 t/y per producer or importer.
- The substance has not yet been registered for that use.

All our braided and woven tapes don't have any substances intended to be released in normal condition of use, so we are not concerned by the registration process.

Notification

- Substances of very high concern (SVHC) are present in those articles above 0,1% (w/w); and
- The total amount in those articles exceeds 1 t/y per producer or importer.

All our braided and woven tapes don't contain any substances of very high concern in a concentration above 0,1% to our current knowledge based on the Safety Data Sheet of our suppliers. So we should not be concerned by any notification.

In our role as *downstream user* Eurocarbon has requested their suppliers to confirm that they will (pre-) register their substances in REACH.

All our suppliers have confirmed that their substances *don't* need (pre-) registration in REACH. If any new products need registration Eurocarbon will inform you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind regards,

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