



19th June 2020

Subject: Ashland confirms REACH compliance for products placed on the European market

Dear valued customer,

This letter is to confirm to you that all the products we place on the European market are REACH compliant.

All substances contained in these products are registered by Ashland or by Ashland's suppliers (where not exempted from registration).

For polymers contained in our products, we can confirm that all monomers requiring registration have been registered by Ashland or by Ashland's suppliers.

REACH exemptions

Many of our substances are exempted from REACH registration for being naturally occurring, polymers (with monomers registered) or due to low volume.

REACH registration number

The REACH registration number is displayed in the European SDS, if a substance is registered and if the substance requires to be displayed in the SDS, either in section 1 (in case of substance) or in section 3 (in case of mixture).

While some of the substances contained in our products are manufactured by Ashland, others are sourced from multiple third-party suppliers. It may take some time for our suppliers to inform us of their registration number(s), which we then have to administrate into our product SDS. We anticipate that it may take considerable time before you see all relevant numbers displayed in our SDS for those substances that were only registered shortly before the last deadline.

In case of substances exempted from REACH registration or not required to be displayed in the SDS (e.g. not hazardous), there is no registration number to be shared. Would your company be subject to an inspection by authorities and require additional information on the registration status of one of the substances in our products, please send us an e-mail at below address and we will share relevant information with authorities directly.



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The United Kingdom has exited the EU, however during the transition period REACH and/or REACH-type requirements still continue to apply. Please refer to "Ashland position on Brexit" Letter for further information.

End uses

We have assessed all relevant uses in our registrations and as well ensured that our suppliers have assessed relevant uses in their registrations. Section 1.2 of our SDS identifies the application(s) for which the product has been evaluated.

In case of a product composed of a single, registered substance an Exposure Scenario (ES) has been issued as an Annex to the SDS. The link to download the Annex from our web-site is included in section 16 of the SDS.

In case of mixtures containing one or more registered substances for which an ES have been generated, Ashland has incorporated relevant use conditions in the main body of the SDS (section 8). We are working together with other members in the industry to develop processes and tools for the future incorporation of Exposure Scenarios for mixtures, either embedded in the SDS or as an annex to the SDS.

Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)

Ashland has procedures in place to ensure compliance with the REACH obligations of a supplier for proactively and reactively informing our customers in situations where SVHCs are present in our products.

Ashland will provide you with the latest version of the SDS upon product purchase. If a SVHC is present in any of the products you purchase from Ashland, the substance will be listed on the European SDS (at "any known concentration" equal to or greater than 0.1 %). Although not legally required, we are working on the reformulation of products containing SVHC, where reformulation would be valuable to both Ashland and customer. In specific cases, we will contact you to review the options. A list of products containing currently identified SVHCs is published on our website: <http://www.ashland.com/about/sustainability/product/reach/position-statements>

By this REACH-compliance statement Ashland fulfils its legal obligations in the supply chain.

If you have questions regarding any REACH-related subject, please contact us via your Ashland customer service representative.

Kind regards,



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