



REACH Restriction Rule for Diisocyanates

A new REACH restriction rule for diisocyanates came into force on August 24, 2020. The background to this is the safe handling of diisocyanates and the avoidance of skin and respiratory sensitization.

This restriction concerns the use of chemical products with a total diisocyanate content of more than 0.1% by weight. Adhesives and sealants meeting this criterion may only be used if the user has completed training in the safe handling of diisocyanates prior to use.

Who and when must be trained?

From August 24, 2023, every professional or commercial user of such products must be demonstrably trained. Private users are not affected by this rule.

How does this affect product packaging?

Packaging of all products with a concentration of > 0.1 % of diisocyanate must be labeled with a reference to the training obligation as of February 24, 2022.

What influence does this have on the PU adhesives market?

The REACH regulation is intended to ensure safe handling of diisocyanates. However, this is only a restriction of use, not a prohibition.

What is the exact schedule?



How is training successfully conducted?

The training courses can be held in person or online. All participants receive a certificate for the purpose of documenting successful participation. The training may only be conducted by experts in occupational health and safety!

Where does the right training material come from?

FEICA, the European Adhesives Manufacturers Association, has already developed customized training material for adhesive and sealant users. These materials will be available soon. We will keep you informed!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get get in touch.

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