



**Subject: REACH Statement**

Dear Customer,

Kontron is committed to handle its products and processes in a manner that minimizes the risk to the health and safety of human beings and the environment.

Concerning your inquiry regarding the REACH Regulation, we confirm that KONTRON is aware of its obligations originating from the REACH Regulation.

You procure articles (not chemicals) from Kontron, which are not intended to release any substance under normal and reasonably foreseeable conditions of use. Consequently, the obligations in No. 1 and 2 paragraphs below are not relevant here (see annex).

The ECHA (European Chemicals Agency) Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHCs) is monitored regularly by Kontron for new substances and disclosure of SVHCs is mandatory during inquiries with our approved manufacturers. Through communication with our chemicals suppliers, we try to safeguard the delivery of all chemicals which are necessary for Kontron.

As far as we know, our articles do not currently contain any of the **151 SVHCs** from the **2013-12-16** Candidate List above a concentration of 0.1% of the weight of a product. However, please understand that KONTRON is not performing any chemical analysis on its products to testify REACH compliance and is therefore not able to fill out any detailed inquiry forms.

Consequently, KONTRON will provide any necessary information once the relevant data is available from the supply chain if and when we have evidence that any of the suspected substances is incorporated in our products.

All enclosed information has been given to the best of our knowledge and belief under actual circumstances. The information given implies no warranty within the meaning of the warranty law. We hope to have answered this inquiry to your satisfaction.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions on this matter.

Thank you for your interest in Kontron products.

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Annex:

On 1 June 2007 Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals ("REACH" for short) came into force.

REACH contains the following regulations:

1. From 1 June 2008, manufacturers of substances, and importers of substances as such or of substances in preparations (mixtures) into the European Community (EC) and the European Economic Area (EEA), must register these substances with the European Chemicals Agency if the substances in question are manufactured or imported in quantities of at least 1 t/a and if they are not substances that are exempted from compulsory registration. So-called "phase-in substances" – these are, for example, substances that are shown on the existing substances list EINECS – can be preregistered between 1 June 2008 and 1 December 2008. Pre-registered substances do not have to be registered until later, depending on the quantity manufactured/imported.
2. Suppliers of substances and preparations must provide the recipient with either a safety data sheet (Article 31) or safety information (Article 32). In certain cases, the safety data sheet will be supplemented by an annex ("extended safety data sheet") showing the relevant exposure scenarios.
3. Manufacturers and importers of articles that contain more than 0.1 mass percent per article of a substance on the "candidate list" shall provide the professional recipient and on request a consumer of the article with sufficient information to allow safe use of the article, including, as a minimum, the name of that substance. If all these articles contain more than 1 t/a, a notification to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is necessary, however, not before 1 June 2011.
4. From 1 June 2008, users of chemicals (substances and preparations/mixtures) – so-called "downstream users" – will have to comply with other obligations, but in some cases only after they have received an extended safety data sheet. Downstream users can provide appropriate information so as to assist the manufacturers of substances and importers of substances and preparations in registering them.

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