

TWO MORE HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS ADDED TO CANDIDATE LIST

Substances that may have serious effects on human health and environment can be identified as substances of very high concern (SVHCs). These are primarily substances which are carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic to reproduction as well as substances with persistent and bio-accumulative characteristics.

ECHA has added two new chemicals to the Candidate List. One is toxic for reproduction and the other has very persistent and very bio-accumulative hazardous properties. They are used, for example, in inks and toners and in the production of plastic products.

The Candidate List now has 235 entries – some are groups of chemicals so the overall number of impacted chemicals is higher.

These substances may be placed on the Authorization List in the future. If a substance is on that list, its use will be prohibited unless companies apply for authorization and the European Commission authorizes them to continue its use.

S.N.	Substance Name	CAS Number	Reason for Inclusion	Examples of Uses
1	Diphenyl(2,4,6-trimethylbenzoyl)phosphine oxide	75980-60-8	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)	Inks and toners, coating products, photochemicals, polymers, adhesives and sealants and fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay.
2	Bis(4-chlorophenyl) sulphone	80-07-9	vPvB (Article 57 e)	Manufacture of chemicals, plastic products and rubber products.

Under **REACH**, companies have legal obligations when their substance is included – either on its own, in mixtures or in articles – in the Candidate List.

Suppliers of articles containing a Candidate List substance above a concentration of 0.1 % (weight by weight) have to give their customers and consumers information to be able to use them safely.

Consumers have the right to ask suppliers whether the products they buy contain substances of very high concern.

Importers and producers of articles will have to notify ECHA if their article contains a Candidate List substance within six months from the date it has been included in the list (14 June 2023). Suppliers of substances on the Candidate List, supplied either on their own or in mixtures, have to provide their customers with a safety data sheet.

Under the **Waste Framework Directive**, companies also have to notify ECHA if the articles they produce contain substances of very high concern in a concentration above 0.1 % (weight by weight).

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