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The European Regulation 1907/2006 on Registration, Evaluation, Authorization, and restriction of Chemicals (REACH) entered into force on June 1, 2007. The goal of REACH is to ensure the protection of human health and environment from the risks that can be posed by chemicals.

This legislation has significant impact on all manufacturers, importers, and downstream users in the European Union (EU) and requires registration of chemical substances, preparation and articles with an intended release of substances. Wenzel Associates and other suppliers operating outside the EU are asked to support this initiative by providing certain data regarding the hazards of the substances to ensure compliance.

Registration
Wenzel Associates (WA) does not manufacture chemicals, preparations or articles that intentionally release substances under normal operating conditions and therefore does not fit within the scope of entities obligation to pre-register and register with REACH. WA and our key suppliers are committed to fulfill our legal obligation under REACH and seek to uphold our role in the necessary communication network need to support REACH compliance.

Restriction of Chemicals – Annex XVII
Annex XVII of the REACH regulation imposes restrictions on hazardous substances in preparation or articles that present risks to human health or the environment. This restriction covers a wide range of applications. We certify that our products comply with the conditions of the restriction as defined in Annex XVII Titled “Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles” dated June 26, 2009.

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC)- Annex XIV
As of July 8, 2021, The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) has placed 219 substances in the Candidate List Substances of Very High Concern for Authorization. Any SVHC must noy be used, manufactured, or imported without prior authorization of the ECHA. The “candidate list” will be updated and published periodically by ECHA as more substances are identified as SVHC.

WA declares that products we manufacture identified as RoHS exempt or RoHS non-compliant contain the substance Lead (PB; EC: 231-100-4; CAS 7439-92-1), that is included in the list of SVCH substances as of June 27, 2018, in concentrations even higher than 0.1% weight to weight.

Product users are responsible for determining the applicability of REACH and other related environmental regulation based on their individual usage of the final product.

Regards
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