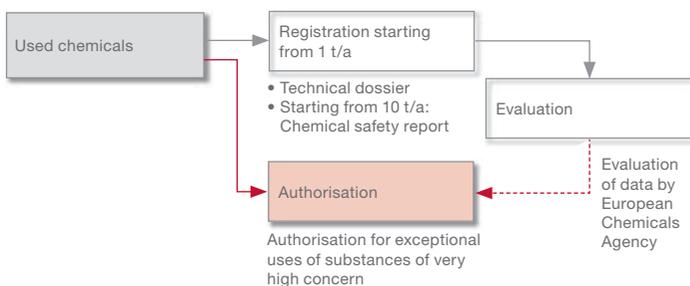


REACH

an overview

REACH establishes European-wide uniform legal standards and replaces the former existing substances evaluation and notification of new chemical substances.

- A general rule applies: no data – no market.
- Depending on the amounts produced/imported, staggered time limits and requirements are to be maintained.
- Substances starting from 1 t/a production and/or import quantity must be registered with the European Chemicals Agency in Helsinki.
- This requires data on physico-chemical characteristics, toxicity, ecotoxicity and environmental behaviour (technical dossier).
- Substances starting from 10 t/a require additional information as to whether and to what extent people and the environment may come into contact with the substances (exposure), and how the possible risks are to be evaluated and managed (chemical safety report).
- Applications for substances of very high concern must be approved through a direct authorisation procedure.



REACH is in force – and we're here to help you

- BASF has many years of national, EU and international experience in chemical evaluation.
- BASF “The Chemical Company” guarantees you competent consultation and services. Together we will implement REACH. For an individual offer, please contact:



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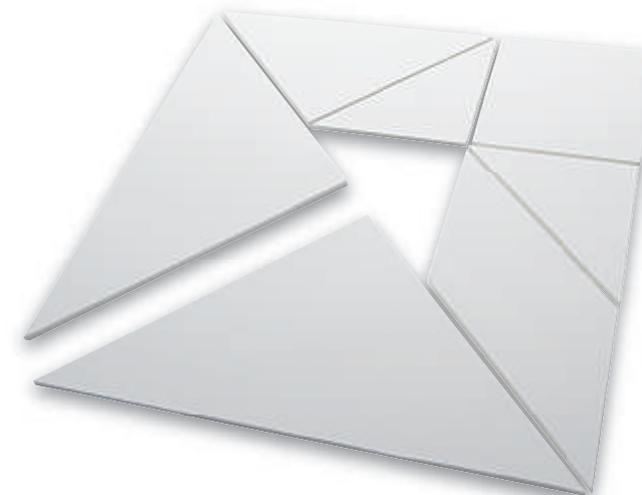


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Together ready for REACH



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Added Value through Sustainability



Excellent products are the key to success in the marketplace. It is therefore important to improve continuously – also with regard to sustainability. We have the means to support your product analyses so that you can fulfill future demands and build on your market success.

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With more than 95.000 employees, business partners in over 200 countries and more than 150 production sites, BASF is the world's leading chemical company – The Chemical Company. Our portfolio ranges from chemicals, plastics, performance products, agricultural products and fine chemicals to crude oil and natural gas. As a reliable partner to virtually all industries, we help our customers to be more successful – with high-value products, intelligent system solutions and outstanding services. With our matchless expertise, we are making your company “Ready for REACH”.

The new EU chemicals regulation for the Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals (REACH) is in force since 1st of June 2007. REACH applies to all companies manufacturing, importing or using chemicals, who must take an even greater responsibility for the safe handling and use of these substances.



You are a manufacturer or an importer

- If you are a manufacturer or importer of chemicals within the EU, all your substances must first be preregistered, then registered. Applications of certain substances require authorisation.
- You can benefit from our broad knowledge based on experience. After performing an assessment of your current situation, we can offer you tailor-made concrete assistance in fulfilling your REACH obligations.

Our offer

- Assessment of current situation
- Preregistration
- Registration
 - Examination of existing documents such as e.g. safety data sheets
 - Data gap analysis
 - Testing
 - Drawing up of the Chemical Safety Report in its entirety or in part
 - Hazard assessment
 - Exposure assessment (through models or measurements)
 - Risk characterisation
- Authorisation
 - Drawing up of authorisation documents
 - Implementation of a socio-economic analysis

You are a downstream user

- As a downstream user of chemicals in the EU, it is usually sufficient to verify whether your use is covered in the extended safety data sheet.
- You must also adhere to the risk reduction measures described therein.

If either of the two conditions specified above is not fulfilled or if there is any uncertainty, our experts can help you with an assessment of your current situation.

Our offer

- Assessment of current situation

Then you decide whether you ...

- inform your suppliers so that they can assess your use and include it in the safety data sheet.

or

- would like the use to be assessed independently of your suppliers.

We offer:

- support in the communication with your suppliers and training where necessary
- assistance to your suppliers in fulfilling their REACH obligations

We offer:

- assessment of uses, e.g.:
 - measurement of chemicals in the workplace, in the exhaust air, in the waste water
 - exposure assessment
 - testing
- support in the communication with authorities