

Statement regarding SVHC reporting obligations under REACH

Vishay Precision Group, Inc, (VPG) has completed the pre-registration phase of the EU REACH Regulation (1907/2006). In accordance with Article 7 and 33 of this regulation, the company is meeting SVHC (Substance of Very High Concern) obligations.

Article 7 - Registration and notification of substances in articles

- 1. Any producer or importer of articles shall submit a registration to the Agency for any substance contained in those articles, if both the following conditions are met:
 - (a) the substance is present in those articles in quantities totaling over one tonne per producer or importer per year; and
 - (b) the substance is intended to be released under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use.
- 2. Any producer or importer of articles shall notify the Agency, in accordance with paragraph 4 of this Article, if a substance meets the criteria in Article 57 and is identified in accordance with Article 59(1), if both the following conditions are met:
 - (a) the substance is present in those articles in quantities totaling over one tonne per producer or importer per year; and
 - (b) the substance is present in those articles above a concentration of 0.1 % weight by weight (w/w).
- 3. Paragraph 2 shall not apply where the producer or importer can exclude exposure to humans or the environment during normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use including disposal. In such cases, the producer or importer shall supply appropriate instructions to the recipient of the article.

Article 33 - Duty to communicate information on substances in articles

- 1. Any supplier of an article containing a substance meeting the criteria in Article 57 (Definition of SVHC) and identified in accordance with Article 59(1) (dossier for SVHC) in a concentration above 0,1% weight by weight (w/w) shall provide the recipient of the article with sufficient information, available to the supplier, to allow safe use of the article including, as a minimum, the name of that substance.
- 2. On request by a consumer, any supplier of an article containing a substance meeting the criteria in Article 57 (definition of SVHC) and identified in accordance with Article 59(1) in a concentration above 0,1% weight by weight (w/w) shall provide the consumer with sufficient information, available to the supplier, to allow safe use of the article including, as a minimum, the name of the substance.

The relevant information shall be provided, free of charge, within 45 days of receipt of the request.



What does this mean for VPG's products?

With the exception of Vishay Measurements Group, Inc.'s, Accessory and Photolastic products, VPG manufactures only products considered articles according to REACH. These products are not intended to release any substances under normal and reasonably foreseeable conditions of use. Any individual SVHC present in these products will not exceed one tonne per year. Therefore, they are not subject to registration or notification in accordance with REACH Article 7.

When candidate lists are published by ECHA, VPG will review the product bill of materials' list to identify those parts containing SVHC. All articles with content above 0,1% of SVHC in total part weight will be documented on the VPG website. Additionally, customers receiving articles containing an SVHC will be provided with sufficient information to allow safe use of the article at the time of supply.

Link to the website: www.vpgsensors.com