

REACH: Six New Substances Listed as SVHC

On 15 January 2019, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) announced six new substances will be viewed as Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) and have been added to the Candidate List under REACH regulation (EC) 1907/2006. The ECHA Candidate List now contains 197 substances.



Background

After inviting interested parties to comment on the addition of six potential new SVHCs and a previous released European Commission Decision for identifying of 3-benzylidene camphor** as SVHC, the Member States Committee agreed on including the five potential substances and the EC identified substance to the ECHA Candidate List. Therefore the list now contains 197 substances in total.

Once a substance is put on the Candidate List, producers, importers or suppliers may have information obligations if the article contains more than 0.1% of an SVHC. Notification of the ECHA is required as well if the total amount of the specific SVHC exceeds 1 ton/ year.

The Six New SVHCs:

Name	CAS no. (EC no.)	Reason for Inclusion	Potential Uses
2,2-bis(4'-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methylpentane	6807-17-6 (401-720-1)	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)	Used in polymers, thermal printing paper, other minor uses include drugs/biocides, surface coatings, inks & adhesives.
Benzo[k]fluoranthene	207-08-9 (205-916-6)	Carcinogenic (Article 57a); PBT (Article 57d); vPvB (Article 57e)	Used in coatings, adhesives, road and construction application and cleaning agents.
Fluoranthene	206-44-0 (205-912-4)	PBT (Article 57d); vPvB (Article 57e)	Used in coatings, adhesives, road and construction application and cleaning agents.
Phenanthrene	85-01-8 (201-581-5)	vPvB (Article 57e)	Used in coatings and paints, road and construction application, in binders or release agents, also in lubricants and cleaning agents
Pyrene	129-00-0 (204-927-3)	PBT (Article 57d); vPvB (Article 57e)	Used in coatings, road and construction applications, in binders or agents and cleaning agents
1,7,7-trimethyl-3-(phenylmethylene)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one (3-benzylidene camphor; 3-BC)**	15087-24-8 (239-139-9)	Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to the environment (Endocrine disrupting properties) (Article 57(f) - environment)	Used in cosmetics as UV filter, also in household products and textiles for UV protection.

Note: ** please refer to EC Decision (EU) 2018/2013

Additional Information: The Full ECHA Candidate List: <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>

The ECHA announcement - 6 new SVHCs:
<https://echa.europa.eu/-/six-new-substances-added-to-the-candidate-list>

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