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REACH Annex 17 - Diisocyanate restriction/requirement of training for safe use of diisocyanate containing products

Dear Valued Customer,

The Commission Regulation (EU) 2020/1149 of 3 August 2020 amending Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) as regards **diisocyanates** (the "Amendment Regulation") was published on **4 August 2020** in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Such Amendment Regulation targets respiratory and dermal sensitisation potentially caused by diisocyanates and diisocyanate containing polyurethane products and **requires that a training be completed prior to use** of products containing a certain amount of diisocyanates.

In this respect, we would like to provide you with the following information.

According to the Amendment Regulation, training and certification on how to safely handle products containing diisocyanates must be completed by **24 August 2023**. This applies to all professional and industrial users of products containing a total monomeric diisocyanate concentration of $\geq 0.1\%$. Please also note that as of **24 February 2022**, such products will carry a sentence on the label indicating the requirement for such training.

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FEICA (Association of the European Adhesive & Sealant Industry), in coordination with ISOPA and ALIPA, the diisocyanate manufacturers' industry associations, has prepared training material for use by its members and by adhesive or sealant applicators. The FEICA training information website will be continuously updated to provide the most recent status.

On 1st November 2021, ISOPA and ALIPA also launched their online training platform in English and on 1st December 2021 in German which will be accessible in the entire European Union ("EU").

Trainings are available in English Español Français Deutsch Italiano Nederlands since August 2022. The other EU languages will follow during the course of 2022.

The FEICA European Executive Board has decided to financially support the training of professional and industrial users of polyurethane (PU) adhesives and sealants. By using the FEICA voucher code below, the web-based training for adhesives and sealants applications (at a regular price of 5 euros/per user/certificate) will be free of charge.

Voucher code	Company distributing	For training by	Type
FEICA_21_C12	Henkel	End-users to be trained on the online training material developed by FEICA for PU adhesives and sealant users	Public

In line with the requirements laid down in the REACH Annex 17 restriction, the training content will vary depending on the application's risk. Participants in the training will be guided to selected training modules which are needed for their specific uses. If you have successfully completed the FEICA training, you have met the necessary requirements to continue using the products safely.

Holding a certification to prove attendance to the training, including a final exam, will be mandatory for all professional and industrial users applying the product. The Amendment Regulation requires the training to be provided by an expert in Occupational Health & Safety. Employers must keep records of the training provided to their employees.


For the avoidance of any doubt, completion of the training and obtention of the certification by the deadline provided remains within your sole responsibility.

Additional requirements may be added by Member States beyond what has been defined in the Amendment Regulation. Further clarification is still needed on how training will be implemented in each Member State.

We kindly ask you, unless already done, to make yourself acquainted with the provisions of the Amendment Regulation. The PU Training Platform can be accessed at <https://safeusediisocyanates.eu>. FEICA has also developed a specific webpage www.feica.eu/PUinfo.

In case of any questions, please contact your local sales/technical service contact person at Henkel.

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