

Communication to customers in accordance with Article 33 of REACH Regulations

European Union Regulation EC1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and restriction of Chemicals

Dear customer,

Tarkett manufactures "articles" as defined by REACH, i.e. floor and wall coverings. Articles are not "substances" or "preparations" and accordingly, articles are not subject to registration or authorization requirements under REACH.

According to article 33 of REACH, Tarkett has obligations under REACH to inform downstream users of our products, if the content of certain substances listed in the Candidate list of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) for authorization exceeds a concentration of 0.1 % mass weight in the provided articles.

Reach regulation is updated on a regular basis and Tarkett raw materials portfolio is reviewed accordingly.

As of August 1st 2018, Tarkett can confirm that none of its resilient, textile, laminate, wooden floor coverings as well as wall coverings manufactured in its European Union plants contains any of the SVHC listed substances above 0,1% of product weight.

When reviewing compliance to article 33, Tarkett takes into consideration the inclusion of SVHC into the Annex XIV – Authorization list, and the conditions or restriction specified by the Annex XVII, according to the requirements of article 67.

Latest update of the candidate List (**16/07/2019**), authorization list and list of restrictions, can be consulted on the ECHA websites:

- <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>
- <https://echa.europa.eu/authorisation-list>
- <https://echa.europa.eu/recommendation-for-inclusion-in-the-authorisation-list>
- <https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

Recycling

As far as recycling of floorings is concerned, Tarkett has always been a major player in this field and has been striving to minimize the depletion of natural resources. In accordance with the European Parliament's Directive 2006/12/EC encouraging the reuse of materials, Tarkett intends to actively continue this policy, in respect of REACH regulation, when considering the procurement of recycled raw material. External sources of PVC recyclates are analyzed to eliminate the risk of introducing SVHC classified plasticizers in our formulations.

Specific product related information is provided in Declaration of performances (DOP) according to CE Marking EU regulation n°305/2011.

We believe that this clarifies Tarkett's position and we hope to have answered your questions.



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