

REACH

The European Regulation concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) repealed EU Directive 91/155/EEC

The European Directive 91/155/EEC which described the requirements for Material Safety Data Sheets had been repealed by the Regulation concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals on June 1st, 2007 (REACH-Regulation 1907/2006/EC).

The requirements for Material Safety Data Sheets are now described in the Articles 31ff of the REACH Regulation. Comparing this to the former Directive we see mainly editorial adjustments. Structure and content of the Safety Data Sheet remain unaltered.

A revision of an existing Safety Data Sheet is required if:

- as soon as new information which may affect the risk management measures, or new information on hazards becomes available;
- once an authorization has been granted or refused;
- once a restriction has been imposed.

The requirement to publish a Material Safety Data Sheet applies to all suppliers of substances and preparations.

As already defined under the former Directive there is no requirement to develop and maintain a Material Safety Data Sheet for products such as Batteries.

If you need further information, please forward your request to your competent customer service.