

Statement about the REACH Regulation (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals)

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for your interest in our products and their compliance with applicable legislation. In the following you will find further information about how the regulations set out in the REACH Regulation apply to our products.

Erhardt+Leimer has specialized in system solutions and automation technology on moving webs and belts. Worldwide we are one of the leading suppliers of monitoring, control and inspection systems for the textile, paper, corrugated board, film/foil, tire, rubber, nonwoven fabric and print industries. Our broad product range comprises customized solutions for the application areas of web control, web guiding and spreading, web tension measurement and control, cutting technology, measuring and inspection technology, and print image monitoring.

The European REACH Regulation (Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006) contains regulations on the registration, evaluation, approval, and restriction of chemical substances. Among other aspects, the regulation also specifies requirements in relation to communication in the supply chain. This also includes notifications about particularly critical substances (SVHC = Substances of Very High Concern) in products.

Since June 27, 2018 metallic lead has been on the candidate list of substances of very high concern (SVHC) for the approval process of the European Chemicals Regulation REACH.

The inclusion of lead in the REACH candidate list does not represent a ban on use in the sense of the REACH approval process. As part of the REACH Regulation, lead is still permitted to be used as an alloy component and is therefore also permitted to be contained in products in a concentration of > 0.1%.

The REACH Regulation only contains provisions that go beyond the scope of a basic duty of disclosure and require the restriction of substances in products in cases where a substance is included in Annex XIV or Annex XVII of the REACH Regulation.

As a supplier of products, we have a duty of disclosure if a substance included in the candidate list is contained in a product in a concentration above 0.1% weight by weight (Art. 33 1 REACH Regulation). Upon request, we will provide our commercial business clients with the information available to us that is sufficient for the safe use of the products. In doing this, we will, as a minimum, state the name of the affected substance.

The REACH candidate list is regularly updated and can be viewed on the website of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) (<https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>).

Our information always relates to the latest version of the REACH candidate list. It is based on the risk-based approach in accordance with IEC DIN EN 63000, as well as declarations from our suppliers, material declarations and analyses.

In addition, our products also satisfy the requirements of Annexes XIV and XVII of the REACH Regulation.

We at E+L take our responsibility for the protection of the environment and human health very seriously. In view of the increasing concern about the potential risks related to PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) we would like to take this opportunity to assure you that we are endeavouring to reduce our use of these substances before a possible future ban.

Although there is currently no further statutory obligation beyond the REACH Regulation that restricts the use of PFAS, we are aware that these substances have the potential to harm people and the environment. For this reason we are already taking proactive steps to limit the use of PFAS in our products and manufacturing processes.

For parts that currently contain PFAS or that have been manufactured with the aid of PFAS, we are seeking equivalent alternatives so that we can continue to supply you reliably.

We thank you for your trust and undertake the obligation to deliver safe, high-quality products while at the same time making a contribution to the protection of the environment and human health.

If you have any questions or concerns about the way we use substances, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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