

New regulations governing the use of Diisocyanates for Professional and Industrial end users of adhesives and sealants

If you or any of your staff use polyurethane (PU), adhesives and sealants containing DIISOCYANATES then training and certification will be required for all staff using these products by 24th August 2023 under REACH prior to the use of PU products containing diisocyanates.

This new requirement will apply to all professional and industrial users of these products. The products affected by this regulation should be labelled with the following 'As from 24 August 2023 adequate training is required before industrial or professional use' on the label. Additionally all affected products MSDS will be changed to reflect this training requirement as well.

Employers will have to keep records of certification for each member of staff using these products to prove in case of an inspection that staff have been trained and this will need to be renewed every five years.

Training Requirements and accessing it.

The training is available in the form of e-learning for ease of use. Adhesive suppliers have no legal obligation to provide classroom training. E-learning is the preferred option. However, if local authorities deem e-learning to be inadmissible, the suppliers and their associations will support customers to find qualified trainers offering classroom training.



FEICA are the Association of the European Adhesive & Sealant Industry. To read their information relating to the directive please click here.

To access online training portal click here:



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ECHA European Chemical Agency - ANNEX XVII TO REACH - Conditions of restriction. Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles

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Roles & Responsibilities by 24th August 2023

Supplier

Ensure labelling on product has correct text update MSDS. Training material available for specific product and staff.

Employer / End User Customer

Training delivered to all operatives using affected products by appropriate expert/online prior to product use. Documented and reviewed at least every 5 years

Operative

Complete training before using product