

Statement on Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) as applicable to article manufacturers

On 1st of June 2007 Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals¹ ("REACH") entered into force.

REACH contains the following provisions:

- 1) Suppliers of substances and mixtures must provide the recipient with either a safety data sheet (Article 31) or safety information (Article 32). The products that Excelitas Noblelight manufacture are exclusively articles (not chemicals), which are not intended to release any substance under normal and reasonably foreseeable conditions of use. Consequently, the obligations under Articles 31 and 32 do not apply.
- 2) Article 33 of REACH requires manufacturers and importers of articles that contain more than 0.1 percent weight by weight (w/w) per article of a 'Substance of Very High Concern for authorization' (SVHC) on the 'Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorization' to provide the professional recipient of the article with sufficient information to allow the safe use of the article, including, as a minimum, the name of that substance. Furthermore, under Article 7(2) of REACH, if all imported articles contain more than 1 ton per annum of a specific SVHC on Candidate List, a notification to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is required. To date this has not been the case with articles that we import from outside the EU.
- 3) The "Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorization" as required under Article 59 (1, 10) of REACH is published on ECHA's website at <http://echa.europa.eu/> and updated twice a year. See also <http://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>. We are dependent on information from our suppliers to become aware of the presence of candidate list SVHC in the procured components that we use to manufacture our products. We will inform you if the product supplied to you contains any SVHC above 0.1% w/w based on the information that we receive from our supply chain.
- 4) Annex XIV of REACH lists the substances dangerous to human health and the environment which are subject to authorization. Pursuant to Article 56, these substances are not permitted to be placed on the market or used in any articles, unless authorization has been granted by the European Commission. Article 67 of REACH restricts certain, normally hazardous substances in specific applications as stipulated in Annex XVII. We continually request information from our suppliers on the use of Annex XIV and Annex XVII substances and do not add these substances by ourselves when manufacturing our products.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via hng-productcompliance@excelitas.com.

