

Avery Dennison ADvantage: Complete Compliance

Compliance Quick Facts Sheet

Substances of Very High Concern Avery Dennison designs products to avoid use of SVHCs



EU information on SVHCs is
available at:

<http://echa.europa.eu/addressing-chemicals-of-concern/authorisation>

In the EU, substances fulfilling criteria defined under REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals) can be identified as Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC). Substances that may be designated as SVHC include those meeting criteria for classification as causing cancer or other serious health effects, or persisting and bioaccumulating in the environment. SVHCs are identified by EU Member States and placed on the Candidate List.

Addition of a substance to the Candidate List of SVHCs triggers legal obligations throughout the supply chain. As of July 2021, the list contained 219 substances. The EU authority ECHA prioritizes substances on the Candidate List to determine which substances should be subject to authorization, which is the EU process to control substances that pose risk and replace them with alternatives. If an SVHC is added to the Authorization List, it cannot be placed on the market or used after its designated sunset date, unless a specific exception applies, or an authorization has been granted for a specific use. REACH also contains notification and communication requirements for SVHCs in articles.

Avery Dennison aims to make products that do not contain SVHCs at or above a level that would trigger associated requirements. Avery Dennison notifies customers and ECHA if an SVHC has been added to the REACH Candidate List and if it is present in one of its articles above specified concentrations. Avery Dennison also notifies customers who are purchasing such products, or who have already purchased them. The Avery Dennison Product Compliance team is available to answer questions about SVHCs and our products.

Avery Dennison ADvantage: Complete Compliance is a global service initiative that helps customers navigate the complexities of regulatory, trade and customer compliance issues. Complete Compliance delivers training, tools and advice that guides customers through regulatory data and certifications to ensure products meet the compliance demands of specific applications.

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