

DEHP plasticiser is registered for use under REACH

ReachCentrum is glad to announce that the widely used general purpose plasticiser Di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) has been successfully registered under the EU's new Chemicals Legislation REACH, well ahead of the November 30 deadline.

DEHP (CAS No [117-81-7]) is also known as di-octyl phthalate (DOP) and is used mainly for making PVC soft and pliable. It accounts for around 17% of all plasticiser usage in Western Europe and approximately one third of plasticiser use worldwide. It has been registered for all current uses including medical devices. DEHP is a plasticiser which offers a good all-round performance and is therefore used for a great many cost-effective, general purpose products including building material such as flooring, cables, profiles and roofs, as well as medical products such as blood bags and dialysis equipment.

The EU Risk Assessment Reports for DEHP can be found on the DEHP Information Centre website: <http://www.dehp-facts.com/RA>

For further information, including the final announcement in English, French, Spanish and German, please refer to the DEHP consortium page at <http://www.reachcentrum.eu/EN/consortium-management/consortia-under-reach/dehp2ehn--and-i-butanal-reach-consortium.aspx>

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