

Requirements of REACH authorisation

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For the attention of the Managing Director and Quality Manager

Dear Sir or Madam,

Scope/Applicability:

All Rolls-Royce suppliers / partners in the European Economic Area.

Introduction:

REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction of Chemicals) is a European Union regulation.

For substances listed in REACH Annex XIV, use in Europe whether on their own or in a mixture will be prohibited after the relevant [sunset date](#) without an authorisation held by the user or an upstream supplier.

Current technology requires the continued use of chromates in a number of applications. The sunset date for the first group of chromates is September 2017. If you still use chromates please be aware that:

- Unless your uses are covered by an application for authorisation held by yourself or an upstream supplier then you will have to cease using the substance or any mixture containing it from this date.
- Details of the authorisations submitted can be found on the European Chemical Agency's (ECHA) website by clicking [here](#).
- There are several upstream applications for authorisation known to be covering generic uses of chromium trioxide and aerospace and defence uses of other chromates. These have been created by consortia and submitted by upstream applicants. Links to their most recent press releases are below:
 - [CTAC \(application 0032\)](#)
 - [CCST \(applications 0043-0047\)](#) and [here](#)
 - [GCCA \(applications 0096-0099\)](#)
- Rolls-Royce is aware that the final decisions for these authorisations may not be made until after the sunset date in some cases.
- If you are a user, you can continue use in the meantime provided you can demonstrate your specific use is covered by an application made by a supplier upstream of you.

Action Required:

- 1) Confirm your use is in line with an applied-for use in your upstream supplier's authorisation application.
 - If in doubt consult the supplier of the chemical product and ask them to identify the relevant authorisation application.
- 2) Implement risk controls in accordance with conditions of use contained in the application
 - It is strongly recommended to implement risk controls where required by the authorisation in advance of the sunset date.
 - If in doubt consult the supplier of the chemical product and/or the relevant authorisation dossier (in particular the chemical safety report), which will be available on the [ECHA website](#).
- 3) After the authorisation is granted, you will need to notify ECHA of your uses within 3 months of the chemical being supplied with the authorisation number included on the label, in accordance with REACH requirements:
 - Refer to [this website](#) for details of submitting notifications for authorised uses.
 - These notifications will be shared with relevant member state enforcement authorities.
- 4) Communicate this NTS to sub-tier suppliers as required.

If you have concerns please contact reach.programme@rolls-royce.com.

Suppliers are reminded that [NTS392](#) gives details of how to deal with unexpected issues.

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