

## Rolls-Royce: New REACH restriction on Cadmium Braze Alloy

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For the attention of the Managing Director and Quality Manager.

**Dear Sir or Madam,**

### **Scope / Applicability:**

All suppliers of Substances / Preparations and Parts who conduct business with Rolls-Royce group companies

### **Introduction:**

In June 2007, the European Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) entered into force. REACH affects all industries, including the aerospace, energy and marine industries.

### **New REACH restriction on Cadmium Braze Alloy**

The REACH Annex XVII entry for cadmium has been amended by Regulation [494/2011](#), and a subsequent [correction](#), which restricts the use of Cadmium based braze alloy from the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2011.

Rolls-Royce has become aware that some suppliers of braze alloy have been withdrawing cadmium based products from the market, irrespective of exemptions for Aerospace and Defence uses. Rolls-Royce consequently needs to manage changes to our products resulting from this restriction.

### **Action Required:**

Suppliers who are still using cadmium braze alloys on parts supplied to Rolls-Royce are requested to send an email to [reach.programme@rolls-royce.com](mailto:reach.programme@rolls-royce.com) confirming the part numbers and engines still effected. Please entitle your e-mail "Cadmium Braze"

Rolls-Royce expects its supply chain to ensure continuity of supply of substances, mixtures and articles (parts) in accordance with the contracts in place.

If you have any subsequent concerns, you may register these via your Purchasing contact, or if you wish by e-mail to [reach.programme@rolls-royce.com](mailto:reach.programme@rolls-royce.com). A representative of the REACH team will respond to any questions raised within a timely manner.

Rolls-Royce also recommends that suppliers regularly review the data on the ECHA website, [http://echa.europa.eu/home\\_en.asp](http://echa.europa.eu/home_en.asp), which provides current information on the status of substances at each key stage of the REACH process.

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