

## Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC)

REACH established a special authorisation procedure for substances identified by a scientific evaluation as being of very high concern.

The authorisation procedure under REACH is subject to clear rules and proceeds through several steps.

The inclusion of a substance in the “candidate list” according to Article 59(1) of REACH results in several obligations.

### Impact on SDS:

- Article 31(1) of REACH, among other things, obliges the supplier of a substance included in the “candidate list” to provide his customer with a safety data sheet.
- Article 33 of REACH further obliges the supplier of a product containing a “candidate list” substance in a concentration of more than 0.1 % (w/w) to inform the customer at least of the name of the substance concerned.

Symrise mainly supplies formulations in unusual event that a formulation contains SVHCs, the specific substance and concentration is listed under Section 3.2 of the SDS.

To make it possible for our customers to satisfy this obligation, every time new substances are included in the “candidate list” we check whether our products contain such substances in amounts above the limit mentioned. If this is the case, we aim to include an appropriate reference in the relevant safety data sheets and inform our customers accordingly. We automatically send the updated versions to all customers who have purchased these products from us in the past twelve months.

### Impact on the portfolio:

For each substance subject to authorisation, an expiry date (also known as the sunset date) is set out in Annex XIV. This expiry date is usually 3,5 to 4 years after its inclusion in Annex XIV.

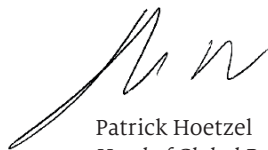
It is a Symrise obligation besides identification of SVHC's to initiate the substitution of these substances in given legal deadlines.

A phase out process is initiate to via internal working groups to prevent potential development and/or marketing of SVHC. New published SVHC are not placed on the market anymore as soon as alternatives are available, and reformulation is provided. Symrise does inform customer accordingly.

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