

## 4 SVHCs Added to Candidate List under REACH

On 12 January 2017, four chemical substances were classified as Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) and added by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) to the Candidate List under the Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemical Substances regulation (REACH). 173 SVHCs are now included in the latest Candidate List.

Substance	CAS no	Applications
4,4'-isopropylidenediphenol (bisphenol A; BPA) <sup>1</sup>	80-05-7	Used for manufacturing polycarbonate epoxy resins and chemicals; hardener in epoxy resins
Nonadecafluorodecanoic acid (PFDA) and its sodium and ammonium salts <sup>1 &amp; 2</sup>	335-76-2 3830-45-3 3108-42-7	Used as lubricant, wetting agent, plasticiser and corrosion inhibitor
p-(1,1-dimethylpropyl)phenol <sup>3</sup>	80-46-6	Used for manufacturing chemicals and plastic products
4-heptylphenol, branched and linear [substances with a linear and/or branched alkyl chain with a carbon number of 7 covalently bound predominantly in position 4 to phenol, covering also UVCB- and well-defined substances which include any of the individual isomers or a combination thereof] <sup>3</sup>	/	Used for manufacturing polymers; formulation into lubricants

1 SVHC property : Toxic for reproduction

2 SVHC property : PBT

3 SVHC property : Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to environment

Producers and importers should notify the ECHA before 12 July 2017 if the articles contain any of the four substances and meet both conditions below:

- the substance is present in those articles in quantities over one tonne per producer or importer per year, and
- the substance is present in those articles above a concentration of 0.1% weight by weight.

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