

European harmonisation of product notification- Status 2014

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Poisons Centers

Informing the public and/or medical personnel about symptoms and treatment of acute intoxications





Detailed product information necessary!



Preparations Directive 1999/45/EC, article 17

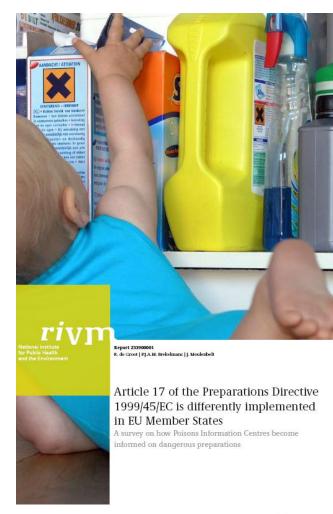
The appointed bodies shall have at their disposal all the information ... to carry out the tasks for which they are responsible

This information shall include the chemical composition of mixtures...

Differently implemented in EU Member States:

- Requirements on composition/concentration
- Notification forms
- Methods of electronic notification

HARMONISATION!





CLP Regulation 1272/2008, article 45(4)

By 20 January 2012 the Commission shall carry out a review to assess the possibility of harmonising the information referred to in paragraph 1, including establishing a format for the submission of information by importers and downstream users to appointed bodies. On the basis of this review, and following consultation with relevant stakeholders such as the European Association of Poison Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT), the Commission may adopt a Regulation adding an Annex to this Regulation

- 20 January 2012: EC Review
- Harmonising information and format
- Annex to the Regulation



Lead: European Commission DG Enterprise & Industry

Stakeholders

EAPCCT WG on Poisons Centres Activities / European Regulatory Issues





Member State governmental authorities



Industry



















Stakeholder discussions

2007

 Dutch Poisons Center report Resulting in CLP article 45(4)

2009

Introductory meeting: COM, PC

2010

- 3 meetings: COM, PC, GA
- EAPCCT guidelines 2010
- Stakeholder workshop

2011

- 2 meetings: COM, PC, GA, IND
- Discussion on CIRCA website

2012

- Review cf. article 45(4)
- CARACAL meeting: support MS
- 1 meeting: COM, PC, GA, IND



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Harmonisation of Information for Poison Centres

Review according to Article 45(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures

Harmonisation:

- possible
- supported by MS

Stakeholder discussions

2013

- 1 meeting: COM, PC, GA, IND
- EAPCCT guidelines 2013
- Working Groups on
 - Unique Formula Identifier
 - Product Category System
 - Industrial mixtures

2014

- CARACAL meeting
 - EC Working Paper Ca/06/2014
- Stakeholder comments until May
- Questionnaire: cost-benefit analysis



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ENVIRONMENT DIRECTORATE-GENERAL
Green Economy

Brussels, 20 March 2013 Doc. **CA/06/2014**

14th Meeting of Competent Authorities for REACH and CLP (CARACAL)

2-3 April 2014

Centre A. Borschette, Brussels, Belgium

Concerns: Harmonisation of Information for Poison Centres; working paper

for a possible Commission proposal according to Article 45(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and

packaging of substances and mixtures

WORKING PAPER

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION RELATING TO EMERGENCY HEALTH RESPONSE

Information on harmonisation project:

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/chemicals/classification/poison-centres/index en.htm



EC Working Paper Ca/06/2014

Information requirements

Product identifier

- Complete trade name(s) of the product
- Unique Formula Identifier (UFI)
- Other identifiers

Product category

- Intended use (Product category code)
- Consumer, professional, industrial use

Contact details of the submitter

Contact details for rapid access (24/7)

Classification of the mixture and label elements

- Hazard class and category
- Hazard pictograms
- Signal word
- Hazard statements
- Precautionary statements

Toxicological information

- as in Section 11 of Safety Data Sheet Additional Information on the mixture
- Colour
- pH
- Physical state (solid, liquid, gas)
- Packaging (type and size)

Composition

- Chemical name of the substance
- CAS number, EC number
- Concentration (exact or range)

Notification update

Exemptions/reduced requirements

Grouped submission

Composition – components in mixture

The following components shall be indicated:

- classified for health or physical hazards:
 - all components in concentration $\ge 0.1\%$
 - identified components in concentration < 0.1%
- not classified for health or physical hazards:
 - all components in concentration ≥ 1%



Composition – concentration of component

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CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Health hazard classes

Acute toxicity Oral

Acute toxicity Dermal

Acute toxicity Inhalation

STOT* - single exp

STOT* - repeated exp

Aspiration hazard

Skin corrosion/irritation

Eye damage/irritation

Respiratory sensitisation

Skin sensitisation

Carcinogenicity

Mutagenicity

Reproductive toxicity

Categories

1 3
1 3







1

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1AB 2

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Hazardous components of major concern for emergency health response:

- Exact percentages
- Alternatively: narrow ranges

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All other components:

Wider ranges



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^{*} Specific Target Organ Toxicity

Composition – concentration of component

1 Hazardous components of major concern for emergency health response

Exact concentration (%):	Maximum width of the concentration range:
> 25 - ≤ 100	- 5 % units
> 10 - ≤ 25	- 3 % units
> 2 - ≤ 10	- 1 % units
> 1 -≤2	- 0.5 % units
> 0.1 - ≤ 1	- 0.3 % units
> 0 - ≤ 0.1	- 0.05 % units

Example:

Exact concentration 26%
Falls in > 25 - ≤ 100 range
Allowed # of units: 5

Can be notified as:

21-26%, 22-27%, 23-28 %, 24-29%, 25-30%, 26-31%

but also 25-27% or even 26%

- Sufficient confidentiality
- Reduce renotification after small changes in ingredient concentration



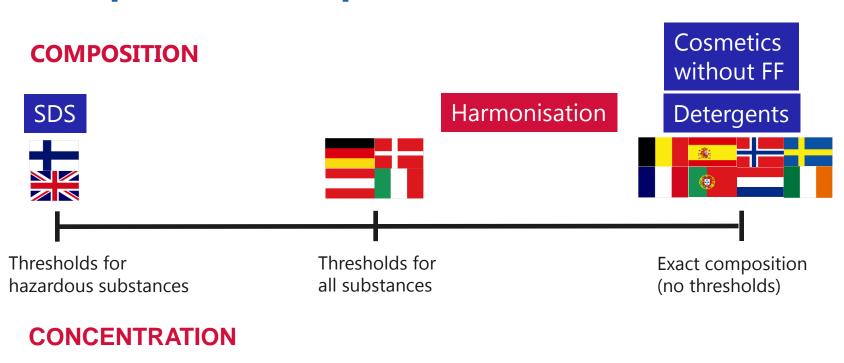
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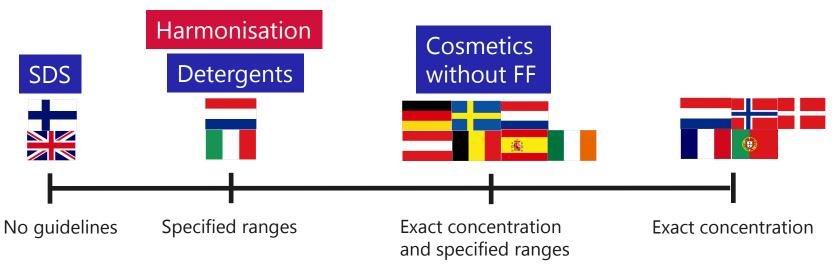
2 For all other components in the mixture:

Exact concentration (%):	Maximum width of the concentration range:
> 40 - ≤ 100	- 20 % units
> 10 - ≤ 40	- 10 % units
> 1 -≤ 10	- 3 % units
> 0.1 - ≤ 1	- 0.5 % units
> 0 - ≤ 0.1	- 0.1 % units



Composition – requirements in EU countries





Exemptions / reduced requirements

Exemptions

- Scientific research and development
- Product and process oriented Research and Development (PPORD)

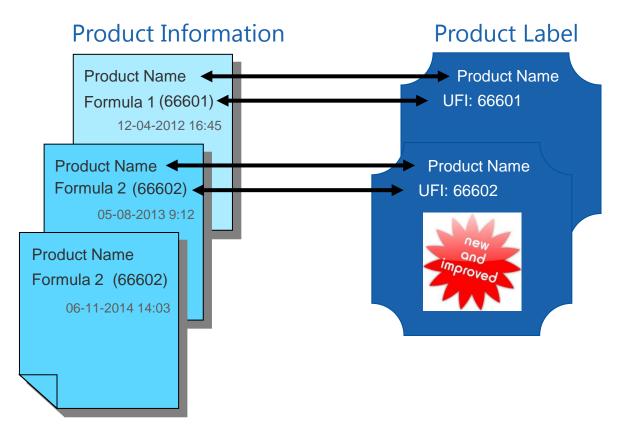
Reduced submission requirements

- Mixture for industrial use only REACH code SU3
 - Notification of SDS
 - Rapid access to detailed product information 24/7 telephone number

A study to evaluate the workability of this solution will be conducted



Identification of the mixture is important!





- UFI changes with formula change
- Date-time stamp to distinguish datasets with same formula



Unique code linking unambiguously a submitted composition to a specific mixture on the market

Solution to mixtures in mixtures problem:

Product Y

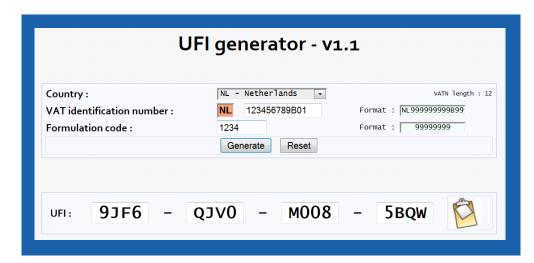
- Substance 5%
- Product X (UPI: XXXX-XXXX-XXXX) 60%
- Substance 15%
- Substance 20%

Product X (UPI: XXXX-XXXX-XXXX)

- Substance 12%
- Substance 88%



UFI Generator: http://upi.toxalert.fr





- Unique identifier: allows companies to assign UFI themselves
- > 39 millions of formulation codes per VAT-number
- Excepted letters & included checksum key: no confusion
- No business information revealed



Identification on the label

- Printed on packaging or label
- BfR project: CEN standardisation EN 15178
 Product identification element near barcode + symbol





UFI part of cost-benefit study

- Necessary for product identification + mixture in mixture
- Burden for companies
- New equipment needed some companies: a transition period necessary

Adaptations of labelling rules in CLP Regulation necessary? Implications on legislative procedures?



Product category system

Hierarchical system:

- Chemical products
 - Cleaning product
 - Dishwasher detergents
- TDI system first two levels
- Categories beyond that levels:
 - REACH Product Category codes
 - other use descriptions





Annual European poisoning report?

Uses:

- Statistically assess poison incidents across EU Member States
- Identify risks and to propose measures for preventing exposures



Electronic notification format

eXtensible Markup Language (XML)

- Automatic control of validity and quality of data before data import
 Possible future step:
- Integration in SDS creating software

Forthcoming
WG Electronic notification format

```
<submission>
    <date>2010-11-24</date>
    <market>be</market>
    <submitter>
        <name>Detergents Company</name>
    </submitter>
    <mixture>
        oduct-id>...
        <trade-name>Detergent SUPER</trade-name>
        <composition>
             <ingredient>
                 <cas>7601-54-9</cas>
                 <min>3</min>
                 <max>10</max>
                 <unit>percent</unit>
             </ingredient>
        </composition>
    </mixture>
</submission>
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XML:

- a sequence of information elements
- Each element surrounded by <tag> and </tag>
- Sub-elements can be introduced in any elements



European product database

Industry

Centralised database is preferred

Poisons Centers

Information in local databases important (download option)

Commission

- Most important: harmonised XML format
- Possibility will be explored: cost / benefit, where to develop, security, effect on SME, languages
- If developed: additional resources necessary
- Experience from CPNP project important



Next steps

2014

CARACAL: Preliminary results cost-benefit study

2015

- CARACAL: draft proposal Commission Regulation
- Formal proposal to the REACH committee
- Working groups?
 - Electronic notification format
 - Product category system

2015-2016

Official publication?

