
Corus REACH statement: Pre-registration numbers

EU Regulation No 1907/2006 on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

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The European Chemical Agency (ECHA) will assign pre-registration numbers, although this is not required in the REACH regulation. This number serves only administrative purposes between ECHA and the pre-registrant.

Pre-registration numbers do not give any evidence for pre-registration nor assure registration. Firstly, not all substances will have to be pre-registered, e.g. those covered by the exemptions mentioned in Annex IV and V of the REACH legislation like iron ore; and substances manufactured or imported within the EU at quantities of less than 1 t/a won't have to be pre-registered either. Secondly, the pre-registration number cannot automatically be linked back to a substance or legal entity. ECHA will not publish lists of the pre-registration numbers, so there is no way to check whether a pre-registration by the specific legal entity actually took place. A legal entity could also withdraw a pre-registration.

Our intention is that all the substances alone and or in preparations or articles that we supply to you, which require registration, will be pre-registered by 30th November 2008, either by Corus or by an actor further up our supply chain. The pre-registration phase has not resulted in a change of the articles or substances you purchase from Corus. If this does happen, it is our intention to provide information about significant changes in the properties or performance of our products at the earliest opportunity to help you to manage any effects that such changed properties might have on your own processes or requirements.

For any questions, please contact your local Corus contact or email the Corus REACH team at REACH@corusgroup.com.

Many thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Corus REACH Team