

REACH is the abbreviation for Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; a European Community regulation on chemicals and their safe use. The REACH regulation (EC) No.1907/2006 entered into force on 1st June 2007. The purpose is to ensure a high level of protection for human health and the environment.

Rhopoint Instruments is classified as a 'producer of articles' under REACH regulations.

Producers of articles have to notify to ECHA the substances listed on the Candidate list which are present in their articles, if both the following conditions are met (Article 7(2) (REACH Regulation)):

- The substance is present in their relevant articles above a concentration of 0.1% weight by weight.
- The substance is present in these relevant articles in quantities totalling over one tonne per year.

Directly after a substance is included in the Candidate List, suppliers of articles which contain such a substance in a concentration above 0.1% (weight by weight) have to provide enough information to allow the safe use of the article to the recipients of the article. (Article 33 (REACH Regulation)).

We maintain contact with our suppliers to ensure compliance with Article 7(2) (REACH Regulation).

Based upon this knowledge, we believe to the best of our ability that no materials from the ECHA Candidate List are included in supplied Instruments.

Should our articles contain substances included in the <u>Candidate list</u> in the future, we will aim to notify all of our customers in due course.

Signed on behalf of Rhopoint Instruments Limited.

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