

REACH - Material Declaration

On June 1st, 2007 these new regulations have been put into effect by the European Union. This new regulation requires a restructuring of the European Chemical Substance Law with focus on Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals. The registration deadlines for all chemicals depend on their Manufacturing/Import Volume. The regulation commenced on June 1st, 2008 and will end June 1st, 2018 for small Volume Substances (<100t/a).

We confirm to you that Salzer monitors the requirements of European Regulations such as REACH or RoHS Compliance.

What does REACH mean for Salzer:

REACH affects mostly Raw Chemical Manufacturers/Importers such as BASF or GE. Salzer is not a manufacturer of any chemical substances or chemical components and therefore not directly affected by these regulations. As a manufacturer of low voltage switchgear, we are considered as an "effected user" of these regulations. We purchase material from various suppliers that have to conform and register their products with the European Union.

At Salzer we are required to use products only that are registered by their manufacturer for the application in question. Currently our chemical suppliers have not informed us of any problem regarding chemical substances that fall under the new regulation, and generally will be pre-registered or are being registered shortly.

According to the new regulations, all manufacturers based on their production volume have a timeframe up to 10 years to decide on registration.

Since all compounds being used by Salzer are very common substances, for which there have not been any usage restrictions in the past, we have to assume that those materials and substances will be available to us for further unrestricted usage from our current suppliers.

As to a detailed listing of all substances and components used in our product, we have to regretfully decline your request at this present time.



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