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Re: REACH Directive EC1907/2006 (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals)

Dear Ripley Customer:

Ripley Tools is committed to compliance with the European Union's Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals Directive (REACH) that came into force on June 1, 2007. The objective of REACH is to improve the protection of human health and the environment by placing greater responsibility on industry to identify and manage the risks from certain substances and to provide safety information on those materials. Its scope covers goods imported to or produced within the European Union (EU).

REACH requires registration when certain materials, whether used alone or within an article, are imported into or produced within the EU to the extent that the amount of any such material exceeds 1 metric ton per year and the material is present in concentrations above 0.1% wt/wt per article. At present, the materials subject to this directive are those that were identified by the European Chemical Agency (ECHA), on their list of substances considered "Substances of Very High Concern" (SVHC). The complete list may be accessed through the ECHA website: <http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/candidate-list-table>

Ripley has completed a preliminary evaluation and believes that none of our products contain any of the identified SVHCs in amounts that exceed those thresholds, thus NO REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. However, as a responsible supplier we will continue to monitor our products, processes and vendors for compliance on an ongoing basis, and are committed to meeting the spirit of this regulation for shipments worldwide, including shipments to countries beyond the EU.

If you require further information on the REACH directive and how it may affect our products, please contact our Customer Service Department at 1-860-635-2200 or toll free at 1-800-528-8665.