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The ECHA Member State Committee (MSC) participates in several REACH processes such as evaluation and authorisation.

On June 27th 2018, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) added the following to the candidate list of substances of very high concern (SVHC)

D4 – Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane

D5 – Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane

D6 – Dodecamethylcyclohexasiloxane

Article 33 of REACH requires manufacturers and importers to notify their customers about the presence of substances of very high concern when their concentration is equal to or greater than 0.1% (w/w)

Since June, we have been working with our material suppliers in order to gather accurate information as to the concentrations of the above substances in their materials.

We are receiving SDS sheets with updated ingredient compositions but this is a slow process and silicone companies are still very much working on this.

It is important to note that an SVHC listing is not a ban or a restriction on the use of D4, D5 and D6. Nor is it a ban on the use of silicone polymers.

The following list are ADPOL grades that have been affected:

We will continue to update this list as we receive SDS from our suppliers

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Material	Substance	Concentration (w/w)
AP202/.....	D6	$\geq 0.1 - < 0.5$
AP301/.....	D6	$\geq 0.1 - < 0.5$
AP401/.....	D6	$\geq 0.1 - < 0.5$
AP402/.....	D6	$\geq 0.1 - < 0.5$
MF775	D4	$\geq 0.1 - < 1$
	D5	$\geq 0.1 - < 1$
	D6	$\geq 0.1 - < 1$
MF749	TBC	

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