

**REACH** - European Parliament and Council Regulation 1907/2006/EC

The European Chemical Regulation REACH ( **R**egistration, **E**valuation, **A**uthorisation and Restriction of **C**hemicals ) became effective on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2007.

This regulation requires an evaluation of all materials being produced or imported into the EU in quantities exceeding one tonne per year, regarding their risks to man and the environment.

Substances already on the market which require registering under REACH should be pre-registered between 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008 and 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008.

As a downstream user of plastic film we are dependent on information received from our suppliers. In this regard we are working with our suppliers to ensure that the plastic film used by Belpac are considered under the terms of REACH.

Plastic films are classified as polymeric material and thus is **not** subject to the substance characterisation according to article 6.3 of the REACH Regulation. Therefore, presently a registration of the film is not required.

With regards to additives i.e. pigments, anti slip, blocking agents etc, which are used in some of the plastic film we process, we await clarification from our suppliers as to whether a registration for these additives is intended.

For the moment, we assume that all plastic film used on our present product range will be available also in the future.

We will keep you informed on this site about further information and new aspects concerning the REACH Regulations as they become available.

Please contact us for any further questions you may have regarding the REACH Regulations.

If you have any questions please contact:

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