

## REACH COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

REACH Compliance In June 2007, the European Union Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) was first released. This Regulation establishes specific duties and obligations for companies in the European Union (EU) that manufacture or import substances on their own, in preparations, or in articles.

- Under the structure of the REACH Regulation, R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd is a manufacturer and supplier of "articles" to our EU customers through several R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd entities located within the EU. We do not manufacture or supply "substances" or "preparations" and our articles do not involve the "intentional release of substances". Accordingly, we foresee no registration or pre-registration requirement for the products we supply to you.
- R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd believes that even though REACH is an EU regulation, the R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd products are affected in all geographical regions. Therefore, R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd has put together a global team to implement REACH on a worldwide basis.
- R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd is constantly monitoring the substances of very high concern (SVHCs), as defined by REACH, in our products. This will be an on-going process since the complete list of SVHCs will be released in stages.
- The customers are encouraged to visit the following site to get the most up to date information on current list of SVHCs under REACH: <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>
- R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd has decided to use International Material Data System (IMDS) to report compositional information, including presence and concentration of SVHCs, in our products. Since this is a constantly evolving process, we will be regularly updating the IMDS information on R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd products as the European Chemical Agency publishes the list of additional SVHCs periodically. The information in IMDS is provided by R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd on a "best effort" basis using the information provided by our suppliers, published data and the documentation from the European Chemical Agency (ECHA). No attempt has been made to verify this information by third party analysis. Visit [www.mdssystem.com](http://www.mdssystem.com) to access IMDS data.
- R E Thompson & Co (Vacuum) Ltd products (articles) do not contain Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) above the threshold value declared as per ECHA .

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