

# Application of REACH and CLP on Chemical Safety in Croatia

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The competent authority (CA) for chemicals and biocidal products in Croatia is Ministry of Health

Regulation (EU) No. 1907/2006 (REACH),  
Regulation (EU) No. 1272/2008 (CLP),  
Regulation (EU) No. 689/2008 (Export/Import/PIC)

Supervision on chemicals (production, use, import): Sanitary Inspection

The Chemical Law (O.J. 18/2013, Art.7):

CA cooperates with Croatian Institute for Toxicology and Antidoping

- keep records of annual data of importing/producing of (dangerous) hazardous chemicals  
(based on national ordinance from 2006.)
- keep the register of SDSs (industrial chemicals, biocidal products and plant protection products) (from 2006.)

SDS documents (for chemicals in accordance with Article 31. of REACH) must be submitted to CITA (via e-mail) prior to putting that product on the market. The documents must be in Croatian language and latin text. Through the process of inclusion in the register CITA verifies compliance of the document with current EU regulations: Regulation (EU) No. 453/2010 and Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008.

In some cases consultation with the manufacturer/distributor/downstream user is needed.

These SDSs at this moment, fulfil obligations stated in Art. 45 of CLP Regulation. So, that means that CITA collects information relevant, in particular, for formulating preventative and curative measures, in particular in the event of emergency health response, from importers and downstream users placing mixtures on the market.

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- conduct training in the protection from dangerous chemicals
  - responsible persons in enterprises (two-day course)
  - workers in direct contact with chemicals (one-day course)

#### The main concept

the basic terms: absorption, distribution, elimination of hazardous chemicals,  
acute and chronic toxicity, corrosivity, hypersensitivity, CMR, ...ecotoxicity

legislation: REACH, CLP, Export/Import, national legislation (Law and ordinances)

Intervention plans in for chemical accidents

Protective equipment

First-aid measures in accidents with chemicals

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- Organization and conducting workshops:

24 two-days workshops on SDS and CLP were organized

- In coordination with Competent Authority  
Expert help-desk for REACH and **CLP** :

- On web
- By phone
- By e-mail

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- CITA is one of two Poison Information Centre

The source of data:

Article 45.of CLP regulation (collecting SDSs of hazardous chemicals)

The Register of Safety Data Sheets- sometimes insufficient and inadequate information for medical treatment (there is no obligation on Industry to send to any Institution more specified information of chemicals)

The other source of data:

Toxicological Data Bases:

- RightAnswer® Knowledge Solutions OnLine<sup>(TM)</sup> Application
- CCOHS (Canada's national Occupational Health and Safety Resource)

Experience in clinical and analytical toxicology

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answers  
(general public)

CITA provides emergency response in case of major chemical accidents