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# REACH

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The REACH regulation means that an importer of chemical substances or preparations is obligated to register all chemical substances and preparations that are imported to EU in quantity of at least 1000 kg yearly. REACH differs between substance, preparation and articles. A chemical substance is for example silver, oxygen and ethanol. A preparation means a mixture or solution composed of two or more substances. A product like a PLC, HMI or LCD is not a chemical substance/preparation but an article, i.e. an object that during production is given a special shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than does its chemical composition.

## **Beijer Electronics is an importer of articles.**

A registration (Article 7.1) of substances in articles is obligatory for an article producer or importer only if the following conditions are met:

- The substances are intended to be released from the produced or imported article(s) during normal and reasonable foreseeable conditions of use
- The total amount of the substance present in the articles with intended releases produced and/or imported by that actor exceeds 1 tonne per year per producer or importer.

## **Beijer Electronics do not fulfil any of these conditions; hence registration is not an issue.**

A notification (Article 7.2) of substances in articles is obligatory for an article producer or importer if substances of very high concern are present in articles above a concentration limit of 0.1% weight by weight and present above 1 tonne per year.

Beijer Electronics are co-operating with suppliers to ensure articles do not include any substances from ECHA's candidate list for authorisation (SVHC). If this is not the case Beijer Electronics will start-up an exchange program and as far as possible phase out these substances. In the event of articles containing substances included in the candidate list for authorisation in a concentration above 0,1% (w/w) Beijer Electronics will provide information to recipients of the articles and minimum state the name of the substance (Article 33).

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