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## REACH - Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals

Directive 1907/2006/EC is the European Union regulation concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH). This directive came into regulatory force on 1 June 2007 in the European Union and replaces a number of European Directives and Regulations with a single system.

The REACH directive establishes provisions on chemicals and their use. Not only does this directive cover "stand alone" chemicals, but the directive also encompasses chemicals within mixtures and substances, as well as preparations of chemicals within the scope of Article 3 found in the directive. These provisions apply to the manufacture of substances, placing substances on the market, or use of such substances. "Use of substance" is interpreted as using a substance on their own, in process preparations, or in articles.

Fine Cut Group has reviewed the information provided by third parties and can confirm to the best of our knowledge that all our supplied articles are in full compliance with the regulations. Fine Cut Group maintains that company products are considered "articles" as each product is "an object which during production is given a special shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than does its chemical composition."

Fine Cut Group also maintains "substances will not be released" from finished goods "under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use." Fine Cut Group also confirms that no chemicals found on the Substances of Very High Concern (SVCH) list are present above the 0.1% (weight/weight) threshold, and continue to monitor for the presence of substances having more than 0.1% against the complete 224 substances from SVHC List (Last updated 10 June 2022) according to ANNEX XIV REACH Authorization List and REACH restricted substances list REACH Annex XVII.

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