



The REACH directive (Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals REACH) entered into force on June 1st, 2007. The purpose of this directive is to encourage manufacturers to substitute certain substances in their products, when suitable alternatives have been identified.

Substances which are subject for substitution have been selected, listed and issued in the candidate list by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) as Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC). The complete and latest list of SVHCs can be found on the ECHA website: <https://echa.europa.eu/en/candidate-list-table>

The REACH directive instructs the manufacturer to provide customers with sufficient information on Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) contained in products in concentration above 0.1% weight by weight (w/w) to allow safe use of the product

This situation is applicable for lead [CAS No. 7439-92-1] which has been added to the SVHC list on the 27th of June 2018. Lead is a substance commonly used in brass alloys for castings utilized in water taps and other sanitary ware.

Lead contained in brass alloys utilized in water taps and other sanitary ware are not intended to be released under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use.

The use of brass alloys applicable for water taps is already restricted by Drinking Water European Directive 98/83/CE, where manufacturers are obliged to utilize only materials listed in the UBA (HCACL -Hygienic Copper Alloys Composition) List. Brass alloys listed in the UBA list may contain lead content above 0,1% w/w but, are even though not providing any risk for human health and environment.

FM Mattsson Mora Group Danmark maintains constant and on-going checks in close cooperation with our suppliers of the products and other articles to be able to give the latest information.

As FM Mattsson Mora Group Danmark is neither producing chemicals or preparations (mixtures of chemicals) nor importing them to the EU, the company only affected by REACH obligations as a downstream user.

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