

Information on handling diisocyanates according to REACH, Annex XVII, Entry 74

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Our **polyurethane** formulations for sealing systems, electro casting resins, industrial adhesives and elastomers are made, among other things, from a reaction between **diisocyanates** and **polyols**.

Due to the REACH restriction regulation that came into force on August 24, 2020 – [REACH Annex XVII Entry 74](#) – from **August 25, 2023** products with a total monomeric diisocyanate content of more than 0.1 percent by weight may only be used if the users have been trained in their safe handling.

This also includes the isocyanates sold by RAMPF.

You will find a corresponding reference to the need for training on the hazardous substance label of the hardener component.

Qualified training documents that meet the requirements of the restriction procedure have been developed by the associations of diisocyanate manufacturers (ISOPA and ALIPA) together with important associations in the polyurethane industry.

Suitable training modules are available for a wide variety of applications, e.g. on a [Training platform \(https://safeusediisocyanates.eu\)](#) specially set up for this purpose as self-e-learning courses in English and German. From April, the training modules will follow in French, Spanish, Italian and Dutch. Other EU languages are expected over the course of 2022.

After successfully passing the final exam, the training concludes with documented evidence that is valid for five years.

Another option is to train internal occupational health and safety experts to become accredited, in-house trainers. They can carry out the training in their own company flexibly and independently according to the operational conditions. The training of these trainers can also be requested via the training platform mentioned above.

Furthermore, it is planned to be able to use this platform in the future to be able to request virtual training courses as well as on-site training courses.

Conducting employee training is the responsibility of the respective employer. It has to bear the costs associated with this.

We would therefore like to ask you to find out as early as possible about the various options for conducting the training, to determine the required training effort for your employees and to complete the training of all affected employees by August 25, 2023 at the latest.