

## REACH regulation

Dear Sir or Madam,

The European Chemicals Regulation REACH (1907/2006/EC) came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2007 and reformed the European chemicals law. It means that as of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008 substances that are either produced in quantities of at least one ton per year or are imported into the European economic market may not be placed on the market without prior (pre-) registration unless they are exempt from registration.

Furthermore REACH demands the registration of substances in articles with intended release under normal and reasonably foreseeable conditions of use.

At Phoenix Contact a team is in charge of the required activities in order to fulfil the current and future requirements resulting from the REACH regulation.

Phoenix Contact is a downstream user in terms of Article 3 (13) of the REACH regulation as well as manufacturer of articles and is not responsible for (pre-) registration of substances or substances in preparations.

Phoenix Contact does not use any substances listed in Annex XVII of the REACH regulation in its products above the limit values defined therein as far as the products fall within the regulated scope of application. In this regard, we especially use the statements and indications of our suppliers and service providers as a basis.

In order to guarantee high product safety for our customers and for the sake of legal compliance we have checked the implementation of the REACH regulation according to the candidate list, last updated on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

According to Article 33 of the EU REACH Regulation we follow our obligation to inform you about Candidate Substances in our products as far as contained in a concentration of more than 0.1 weight% (see Excel file).

Phoenix Contact is aware of its responsibility and, in close cooperation with its suppliers, is looking for alternatives for SVHC-containing materials as far as technologically possible and available.

We will meet our obligation to provide information according to REACH article 33 if new information becomes available or if further substances of content of our products (starting with a content of more than 0.1 weight%) will be classified by the European Chemicals Agency to be of very high concern.

We warrant this by means of an active and continuous information exchange with our suppliers.

We can only grant warranty for our information acc. to Article 33 of the REACH regulation for products and for customers with direct purchase.

The compliance with all required legal regulations is an integral part of our certified Integrated Management System.

We are continuously striving to meet all relevant legal regulations across the whole life cycle of our products. This especially includes the information related to environment protection, quality and occupational health and safety towards our business partners and public authorities.