

# REACH Compliance Statement and SVHC List

EC 1907/2006 (REACH) is a European Community Regulation which covers the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals and their safe use. This law entered into force in the EU on June 1, 2007. This regulation also established the European Chemicals Agency, which manages the technical and administrative aspects of REACH. REACH is designed to improve the protection of human health and the environment through the better and earlier identification of the intrinsic properties of chemical substances. At the same time, innovative capability and competitiveness of the EU chemicals industry should be enhanced. SEKISUI Voltek supports the goals of REACH.

REACH deals primarily with substances, defined in REACH as *"a chemical element and its compound in the natural state or obtained by any manufacturing process, including additives necessary to reserve its stability and any impurity deriving from the process used, but excluding any solvent which may be separated without affecting the stability of the substance or changing its composition"* (Article 3.1 REACH).

Volara®, Volextra® and VolaraBLOCK® are considered Articles, defined in REACH as *"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"* (Article 3.3 REACH).

Under REACH, the ECHA maintains and periodically updates a list of chemical "Substances of Very High Concern" (SVHC). Manufacturers and importers into the EU are required to notify the ECHA if any such substances are present in the Article at more than 0.1% by weight and if the total annual quantity exceeds one tonne. Additionally, customers must be provided instructions on safe use of the product.

As of February 4th, 2026 the list now includes 253 substances.

The Candidate List including the new substances which ECHA added to this list, is available on the ECHA's website: <http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/candidate-list-table>.

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According to our current knowledge, our Volara®, Volextra® and VolaraBLOCK® products (except for those mentioned below) do not contain any ingredients which are listed on the ECHA's SVHC Candidate List in a concentration of more than 0.1% by weight. Therefore, our customers are not subject to a reporting obligation along their supply chain in this respect.

On November 4th, 2025 the ECHA updated the SVHC Candidate list to include 1,1'-(ethane-1,2-diyl)bis[pentabromobenzene] or decabromodiphenyl ethane (CAS No. 84852-53-9) due to its very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) properties.

Our fire-retardant products listed below do contain decabromodiphenyl ethane in a concentration of >0.1% by weight. This applies to following product designations:

- All Volara® products with a grade designation containing "F. Including, but not limited to: AF, ASF, EAF, EOF, LFO, LFT, LMF, RSF, TSF, & VSF
- VolaraBLOCK® & Volextra® products made from the above foam grades

Therefore, our customers may be subject to a reporting obligation along their supply chain where their products are manufactured in or imported into the European Union.

On December 19, 2012, the ECHA added diazene-1,2-dicarboxamide (C,C'-azodi(formamide)), Azodicarbonamide or ADCA (CAS #123-77-3) to the SVHC Candidate List. ADCA is used as a foaming agent in SEKISUI Voltek's Volara® manufacturing process. The process is designed to completely activate the ADCA. Therefore, we expect that our foams contain less than 0.1% by weight of residual ADCA. Further, there is no established evaluation test method to measure the residual concentration. Our parent company, SEKISUI CHEMICAL, is working on preparing a quantitative analysis of this residual substance, however such analysis will require an extended amount of time to develop. Once the test method has been established, our products will be tested for compliance, and we will inform you of any issues related to SVHC compliance.

To conclude, neither azodicarbonamide nor decabromodiphenyl ethane have moved on from the SVHC Candidate List, thus all Volara®, Volextra® and VolaraBLOCK® are Annex XIV and Annex XVII compliant.

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