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## **REACH Registration Numbers**

As of the 1<sup>st</sup> December 2010 many substances have been registered in accordance with the REACH regulation.

Under certain circumstances, registration numbers need to be communicated through the supply chain and this is done via the safety data sheet or in other documentation provided by the supplier to enable appropriate risk management measures to be identified when a safety data sheet is not mandatory. No additional communication of the registration number is legally required and Synthomer will include registration numbers on their safety data sheets where considered compulsory by the REACH legislation.

The majority of Synthomer's products are mixtures (preparations) and as such do not have a specific REACH registration number. Under REACH full disclosure of composition is not obligatory however, in accordance with commission regulation 453/2010\*, some components of the mixture may need to be identified in Section 3 of the safety data sheet (Composition/information on ingredients). For components identified in Section 3 the REACH registration number will be given where available.

Registration numbers may not be available for all of the substances shown on the safety data sheet for the following reasons:

- The substance is exempt from registration
- The registration number has not yet been received from the upstream supplier
- It is a phase-in substances subjected to a later registration deadline

Low volume producers and or importers of phase-in substances have extended registration deadlines of 2013 and 2018 and their products will not yet have a registration number. Such companies are still legitimate suppliers under REACH, provided they have fulfilled their pre-registration obligations.

Synthomer operates a strict raw material screening programme to ensure that all of the relevant substances contained in their products are in compliance with REACH. In some cases this has resulted in Synthomer registering substances themselves. Synthomer is therefore able to issue other proof of product conformity with the REACH regulation in the cases where disclosure of the registration number is not required.

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