## Environmental, Health & Safety



## New England BioLabs® Statement of Compliance European Union Directive Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

Current requirements as established by the European Union and enforced by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) on chemicals and their safe use, and specifically those requirements identified by the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization, and Restriction of Chemical substances (REACH) Directive (EC 1 907 /2006), mandate that all entities established in the European Union as a manufacturer, importer, or downstream user of chemical substances that exceed a quantity of 1 ton per year register those chemical substances with the ECHA.

The current REACH Directive places responsibility for the management of risks for substances with the natural or legal persons that manufacture, import, place on the market, or use in the context of their professional activities.

As defined by the criteria for registration as outlined by the REACH Directive, New England BioLabs® (NEB®) does not produce or export substances that exceed the 1 ton annual threshold. However, some products supplied by NEB may contain de minimus quantities of:

- Triton-X 100; IgePal<sup>®</sup> CA-630; NP-40;
- formamide; acrylamide;
- cobalt chloride; and boric acid.

These chemicals have been identified by the REACH Directive as substances of very high concern (SVHC) due to the impact on human health or the marine environment. The current (01/19/2021) Candidate List of SVHC's contains 211 chemicals.

NEB takes extensive steps to evaluate each of its products for potential risks associated with handling, storage, use and disposal. NEB is evaluating potential alternatives to replace these chemicals in their product formulations. NEB understands that current European Union community members that import, or are considered downstream users of, NEB products, may have obligations under the REACH Directive. NEB also understands that to comply with the requirements as established by the REACH Directive or other Directives, those European Union community member importers and/or downstream users may require specific information from NEB to assist with compliance.

NEB maintains Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for all of its products, which can be downloaded from our web site (http://www.neb.com) on each individual product page. As appropriate, NEB will make reasonable efforts to provide those European Union community members with all applicable information to achieve compliance with the REACH Directive.

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