

# Persistent Organic Pollutants

### **APPLICATION FOR JUVENILE PRODUCTS IN THE EU**

### **BACKGROUND**

Persistent organic pollutants (POP) are toxic chemicals that adversely affect human health and the environment around the world. Because they can be transported by wind and water, most POPs generated in one country can and do affect people and wildlife far from where they are used and released. They persist for long periods of time in the environment and can accumulate and pass from one species to another through the food chain.

To address the continuous release of POP into the environment, the European Community ratified the Protocol in April 2004 and the Stockholm Convention in November 2004. These agreements were transposed into Union law by Regulation (EU) 2019/1021 on persistent organic pollutants (recast) – POP Recast Regulation.

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# SUBSTANCES LISTED UNDER PART A TO ANNEX I OF REGULATION (EU) 2019/1021 ON PERSISTENT ORGANIC POLLUTANTS (POP)

Please be informed that the POP chemicals listed in this document are under European regulations.

| SUBSTANCE <sup>1</sup>  | REQUIREMENT <sup>2</sup>  | POSSIBLE<br>APPLICATION                                | MAIN MATERIALS<br>OF CONCERN  | RELEVANCY <sup>3</sup> |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------|
| Polybrominated diphenyl ethers: Tetra-BDE Penta-BDE Hexa-BDE Hepta-BDE Deca-BDE | ≤ 10 mg/kg each in<br>substances<br>≤ 500 mg/kg sum in<br>mixtures or articles<br>Exemption:<br>Products in Directive<br>2011/65/EU (RoHS 2)                        | Flame retardant  | Polymers (plastics),<br>textiles  | II                     |
| Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid and its derivatives (PFOS)                        | ≤ 10 mg/kg PFOS in<br>substances or mixtures<br>≤ 0.1% PFOS in semi-<br>finished products or articles<br>< 1 µg/cm² PFOS in coated<br>materials, including textiles | Anti-stain, water,<br>grease, oil and/or<br>dirt agent | Textiles, paper,<br>leather   | *                      |
| DDT (1,1,1-trichloro-2, 2- bis (4-chlorophenyl)ethane)                          | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Chlordane   | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Hexachlorocyclohexanes, including lindane                                       | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Dieldrin  | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Endrin  | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Heptachlor  | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Endosulfan  | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | П                      |
| Hexachlorobenzene   | ≤ 10 mg/kg in substances,<br>mixtures or articles   | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | П                      |
| Chlordecone   | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Aldrin  | Prohibited  | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton)                          | II                     |
| Pentachlorobenzene  | Prohibited  | Dye carrier for synthetic fibers                       | Dyeing of synthetic<br>fibers such as<br>polyesters and blended<br>fibers | II                     |

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I: clear and directly applicable regulation and limits

II: concerns substances that may be used in manufacturing process of Juvenile Products, surveillance needed

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|---|--|--|--|---|
| Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB)   | Prohibited   | Flame retardant  | Coated textiles                                  | II  |
| Mirex   | Prohibited   | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton) | II  |
| Toxaphene   | Prohibited   | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton) | II  |
| Hexabromobiphenyl   | Prohibited   | Flame retardant  | Plastics, textiles                               | II  |
| Hexabromocyclododecane (HBCDD) an its main diastereoisomers: Alpha-HBCDD Beta-HBCDD           | ≤ 100 mg/kg in<br>substances, mixtures,<br>articles or as constituents<br>of the flame retarded<br>articles  | Flame retardant  | Plastics, textiles                               | II  |
| Gamma-HBCDD   |  |  | <u> </u>   | <del>                                  </del> |
| Hexachlorobutadiene   | Prohibited   |  | Rubber,<br>lubricants                            | II  |
| Pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters  | ≤ 5 mg/kg in substances,<br>mixtures or articles   | Pesticide<br>Wood preservative                         | Textiles, leather, wood                          | II  |
| Polychlorinated naphthalenes (PCNs)   | Prohibited   | Lubricant Flame retardant Wood preservative            | Plastics, rubber, textiles                       | II  |
| Alkanes C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>13</sub> , chloro (short-chain chlorinated paraffins) (SCCPs) | < 1.0% (constituent of<br>substances or mixtures)<br>< 0.15% in articles   | Flame retardant<br>Plasticizer                         | Plastics, coatings, rubber                       | ·1  |
| Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), its salts and PFOA-related compounds                           | Substances, mixtures or articles:  ≤ 0.025 mg/kg for PFOA and any of its salts  ≤ 1 mg/kg for each PFOA-related compound and a combination of PFOA-related compounds | Anti-stain, water,<br>grease, oil and/or<br>dirt agent | Textiles, paper,<br>leather                      | *   |
| Dicofol   | Prohibited   | Pesticide  | Traces may be found in natural textiles (cotton) | II  |

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