



## REACH, SVHC'S Articles, and Downstream Users

Thank you for your enquiry regarding REACH, SVHC's and articles.

REACH is concerned with ensuring that producers of Chemicals are registered and approved to manufacture and release their products into the global market place.

**Glenair is not a producer of chemicals.**

Downstream users are those who manufacture products from registered chemicals e.g. adhesives etc. or those who use chemicals for example: surface treatment processes.

**Glenair is not a producer of adhesives, but we use them.**

We are however a producer of articles all of which have elements of chemicals as part of their make-up, but no Glenair products are designed to release any SVHC's.

Where chemicals have been classified as being an SVHC, these should not be available (dependant on expiry dates) if the rules of REACH have been applied by the chemical producers and the downstream users. In these instances the product which would have used them, will become obsolete and replaced with another product which is more environmentally friendly and safer to use.

However, surface treatment such as cadmium will continue to be used until the aerospace industry have assured themselves that suitable alternatives are available and to be proven to be airworthy. If this is a problem, you should be in a position to identify and advise us of your preferred alternatives.

**Glenair has no influence over this.**

In summary, REACH has a very limited impact with the products supplied by Glenair and the attachment is a guide to demonstrate that we understand our obligations, and that we can readily identify any substance which may become an issue. This we manage through the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health where we hold all the respective Material Safety Data Sheets for our processes.

**No Glenair products require CLP labelling, a detailed risk assessment or a Material Safety Data Sheet.**

You can keep up to date with this document by using the following link.

[www.glenair.co.uk/certification.asp](http://www.glenair.co.uk/certification.asp)



Kind regards

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