

Korean REACH (K-REACH)

Existing Chemical Pre-registration (due '19.6.30) and Existing Chemical Registration Information

The “Act of Registration Evaluation, Etc. of Chemicals”, also known as K-REACH, has been enforced since January 1, 2015. K-REACH has been established with being inspired by EU REACH to strengthen management of chemical substances as well as products containing chemicals. Main purposes of the act are registering chemicals that are imported and manufactured in Korea and evaluating hazards and risks of the substances by producing/sharing/distributing chemical related information and data.

Under K-REACH, a new chemical substance (not listed under KECI) without tonnage limit and existing chemical substances more than one ton per year, that are produced or imported, must be registered. For existing chemicals above one ton, pre-register is required by end of June 2019 in order to be granted a grace period of the existing chemical registration.

Therefore, BYK Korea LLC., will be appointed as Only Representative (OR) of all overseas manufacturing sites of BYK to act as their OR and fulfill the requirements such as:

- the pre-registration for BYK products imported to Korea for existing chemicals;
- the new chemical registration, notification, and exemption;
- Importer addition for the approval registration, notification, and exemption.

For further information, after the pre-registration phase, BYK Korea LLC. will be granted the grace period of the existing chemicals to register the imported existing chemicals contained in BYK products.

In order to support you through an OR service, we kindly ask you to provide us the following information prior importing BYK products – whether as such or as part of your own products – to Korea:

- Importer information (name, business license no., contact person, phone no., exporting country);
- Estimated annual volume [in tons] of imported BYK products;
- The use of the BYK product in your final product.

The information can be provided via our webform: <https://www.byk.com/BRIEF-Team>

Our goal is to enable you to start or continue importation of our BYK products with less effort on your side while at the same time ensuring that you are fully compliant with your obligations under K-REACH.

If you have further questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact us any time.

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