

Customer information concerning

REACH Regulations and Substances of Very High Concern in articles

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Steel products are considered 'articles' under The REACH etc. (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (as amended) and the European Regulation (EC) 1907/2006, concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH). British Steel is a downstream user of substances included in steel products and we require our suppliers to have the necessary registrations in place for the materials we purchase. As a precaution additional measures to register Downstream User Import Notifications (DUIN) for material we purchase have been taken; <https://www.hse.gov.uk/reach/duin.htm>

As steel products are articles no REACH registrations are required for the steel products we supply to the market.

Article 33 of the REACH Regulations oblige suppliers of articles containing Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in a concentration greater than 0.1% by weight to communicate this information to its customers.

British Steel monitors the SVHC Candidate list and updates customers and downstream users where relevant. It is the intention of REACH to stimulate communication on substances along the supply chain.

Steel articles produced by British Steel do not contain SVHC's above 0.1% by weight with the exception of freecutting leaded steel grades. Please refer to our REACH statement of freecutting leaded steel grades for further information.

Further information on the classification of steel products as articles can be found here:

<https://www.eurofer.eu/assets/publications/position-papers/reach-position-papers/EUROFER-position-paper-determining-the-borderline-between-preparations-and-articles-for-steel-and-steel-products.-28-October-2008.pdf>

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