

HELP DESK

HelpDesk - provides support to manufacturers, importers, downstream users and other interested parties regarding obligations in the field of chemicals and biocides management. In the process of EU accession/joining, the Republika Srpska (BiH) has transposed the following provisions into its legislation: REACH Regulation, CLP Regulation and Biocidal Products Regulation.

REACH: Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals

REACH is a regulation of the European Union, adopted to improve the protection of human health and the environment from the risks that can be posed by chemicals, while enhancing the competitiveness of the EU chemicals industry.

CLP: Classification, Labeling and Packaging Regulation

CLP: provides clear communication with workers and consumers in the European Union about the dangers of chemicals through the classification and labeling of substances and mixtures.

BPR: Biocidal Products Regulation

The Biocidal Products Regulation concerns the placing on the market and use of biocidal products, which are used to protect humans, animals, materials or articles against harmful organisms like pests or bacteria, by the action of the active substances contained in the biocidal product.

The official website of the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, with HelpDesk data for chemicals and biocides, will soon be available on the official website of the European Chemicals Agency - ECHA.

Based on the activities and achieved results, the representatives of the Republic of Srpska will be granted observer status, which will enable them to participate in the annual meetings of the HelpNet network.

The HelpNet network was established by the European Chemicals Agency - ECHA in order to provide support to the national authorities that manage the HelpDesk for chemicals and biocidal products. The work of this network includes all EU member states, as well as countries such as Switzerland and Turkey, which like the Republic of Srpska (BiH), have been granted observer status.

The Ministry of Health and Social Welfare will serve as Bosnia and Herzegovina's HelpDesk for REACH, CLP and BPR, until the time when the Federal Ministry of Health of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina passes by-laws and fulfills the necessary capacities. When they are implemented, the REACH HelpDesk will be taken over by the Federal Ministry of Health of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The work of the HelpDesk for chemicals and biocides is monitored on an annual basis by the European Chemicals Agency - ECHA, through the submission of annual work reports. The Chemicals and Biocides HelpDesk answers questions from interested parties by referring to:

1. Law on chemicals ("Official Gazette", no. 21/18)

- ✓ Rulebook on the Content of the Safety Data Sheet ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 104/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on Detergents ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 32/19)
- ✓ Rulebook on Criteria for the Identification of PBT Substances and vPvB Substances ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 48/19)
- ✓ List of Substances of Very High Concern ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 72/19)
- ✓ Rulebook on Restrictions and Bans of Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 79/19)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Conditions for Export and Import of Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 86/19)
- ✓ Rulebook on Methods for Testing of Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 102/20)
- ✓ Rulebook on Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 118/20)
- ✓ List of Classified Substances ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 119/20)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Manner of the Chemical Safety Assessment and the Content of the Chemical Safety Report ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 126/20)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Principles of Good Laboratory Practice ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 10/21)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Inspection and Verification of Good Laboratory Practice ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 10/21)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Register of Producers and Importers of Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 69/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Conditions for Performing Activities with Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 69/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Program of Additional Education for Chemical Advisers ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 69/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on Integral Inventory of Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 26/19)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Inventory of Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 69/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Content of Records on Chemicals and the Method of Annual Reporting ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 69/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Amount of Fees Related to Chemicals ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 69/18)

2. Law on biocidal products ("Official Gazette", no. 37/09)

- ✓ Rulebook on how to keep Records on Biocides ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 86/13)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Content of the Report in the Procedure of Monitoring the Imported Biocide ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 126/11)
 - Rulebook on the Amendment of the Rulebook on the Content of the Report in the Procedure of Monitoring Imported Biocides ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 42/16)
- ✓ Rulebook on Specific Requirements Related to the Classification, Packaging, Labeling and Advertising of Biocides ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 10/11)
- ✓ Rulebook on Conditions that must be met by Legal Entities that use Biocides for Professional Purposes ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 79/14 and 83/14)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Conditions for the Production, Circulation, Use and Storage of Biocides ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 79/14)
- ✓ Rulebook on the manner of keeping the Biocide Inventory ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 57/10)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Conditions and Procedure for Recognizing Foreign Licenses for placing Biocides on the Market ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 49/10)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Content of Basic Data on the Biocidal Product ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 32/10)
 - Rulebook on Amendments to the Rulebook on the Content of Basic Biocidal Product Data ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 86/13)
 - Rulebook on Amendments to the Rulebook on the Content of Basic Biocidal Product Data ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 33/17)
 - Rulebook on Amendments to the Rulebook on the Content of Basic Biocidal Product Data ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 12/21)
- ✓ Rulebook on the List of Active Substances that are not allowed in Biocidal Products ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 32/10)
 - Rulebook on Amending the Rulebook on the list of Active Substances that are not allowed in Biocidal Products ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 74/11)
 - Rulebook on Amending the Rulebook on the List of Active Substances that are not allowed in Biocidal Products ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 85/12)
 - Rulebook on Amending the Rulebook on the List of Active Substances that are not allowed in Biocidal Products ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 13/15)
 - Rulebook on Amending the Rulebook on the List of Active Substances that are not allowed in Biocidal Products ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 7/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on the List of Active Substances that are allowed in the Biocidal Product ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 35/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on the Conditions and Working Methods of the Commission for Biocides ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 23/10)
- ✓ Rulebook on Types of Biocides ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 32/18)
- ✓ Rulebook on Principles and Procedures for Biocidal Product Risk Assessment ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 3/10)

- ✓ Rulebook on the Contents of the Documentation for the Assessment of the Active Substance in the Biocide, the Assessment of the Biocide, the Scope and Content of the Dossier and the Summary of the Dossier ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Srpska", no. 3/10)

3. Answers are also given to questions related to EU regulations with which these two laws are harmonized.

How to ask a question to the HelpDesk?

Questions of those interested can be submitted via the following email addresses: m.telic@mzs.vladars.rs and HelpDesk@mzs.vladars.rs, and as well by the phone number 051/360-072.

There are already useful pieces of information and links on the EU legislation on this authority's website. As well as useful information, instructions and guides on the regulations in force in the Republic of Srpska, which are harmonized with the EU regulations. The HelpDesk will guide the industry and all relevant stakeholders in order to more easily and quickly obtain the usefull information necessary for proper application of the legislation on chemicals and biocides in force in Bosnia and Herzegovina.