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The European Union's REACH regulation (Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006) and the UK's version of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 each imposes requirements for the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals for products placed into general commerce in the EU and the UK.

The REACH regulation is complex but makes clear distinctions between "substances", "mixtures", and "articles". Protolabs is a manufacturer of "articles". Since these "articles" are produced from our customer's designs, Protolabs cannot comment on the end use of the articles, or how such articles are assembled into the customer's final product.

Protolabs recognizes, however, the importance of providing our customers with information on Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC), as defined in the REACH Candidate List, which are present in concentrations greater than 0.1%. An updated SVHC candidate list can be located under the following link: https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table.

We endeavour to respond to our customers regarding the SVHC present above the above-noted threshold in the materials we use to produce their parts. In order to provide the appropriate declarations to customers, we rely heavily on our supply chain to support these efforts. We request our suppliers to provide declarations with respect to the SVHC present above 0.1% in the materials we acquire from them as the Candidate List is updated. We monitor their responses to ensure we are receiving updated information and can effectively respond to any changes in the SVHC present. We collectively review the data for all materials used to produce each custom part and respond accordingly. Customer-supplied materials are outside of the scope of our review and Protolabs is unable to make any representation with respect to customer-supplied materials where this option is available to our customers.