

REACH DECLARATION

Direct Components is an independent distributor of commercial off the shelf electronic components. Under the terms of the REACH regulations, the electronic components that we distribute (primarily semiconductors, passive products and electromechanical parts are referred to as 'Articles' as defined in REACH 3(3). However, we do not design, manufacture, or control the content of any products we sell.

As there is no intended release of substances from the products sold by Direct, under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use, we have no need to register our activities with ECHA. We are not considered a manufacturer or downstream user of the products. In addition, we are a company established outside of the EU and therefore we are not bound by the obligations of REACH.

Chemicals used in the components, or the manufacturing of components sold by Direct are used at the discretion of the manufacturer and the relevant requirements of the REACH Regulation remain the responsibility of the manufacturer.

Once a substance is added to the SVHC Candidate List, the EU REACH Regulation imposes immediate obligations on manufacturers and importers to declare the substances if present. The ECHA candidate list was updated with additional substances for the REACH regulation from 201 SVHCs to 205 SVHCs on 16th January 2020. Article 33(1) of the REACH Regulation states that manufacturers and importers of articles (products) are required to notify their customers of the presence of any Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in their products exceeding 0.1% by weight and provide instructions on safe use of the product.

Ultimately, the responsibility for fulfilling the requirements of REACH, such as registration lies with the importers established in the European Union.

On request and if the information is available, we will pass-on pertinent information relating to the manufacture of these devices, when communicated to us by the component manufacturers themselves or suppliers and commit to abide by this request to the best of our ability. We request that all our suppliers provide declarations on parts purchased where appropriate.

We will monitor all further obligations with regards to Annex XIV (the "Candidate list") and Annex XVII ("Restriction of Substances").

Complete knowledge of the presence of these substances can be found on the ECHA website (European Chemicals Agency) <https://echa.europa.eu/regulations/reach/understanding-reach>

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