

# REACH:

## A Regulatory Behemoth

Registration, Evaluation, Authorization, and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) came into effect on June 1, 2007, to streamline the EU's regulations on chemicals. Through its unified regulations across countries and substances, it is expected to create a level playing field for chemical companies within the EU and impact the competitiveness of the EU chemicals industry, a key sector for Europe's economy.

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The new control on chemical products is affecting manufacturers, suppliers, importers, marketers, and downstream users in different ways. Many SMEs seem unaware that REACH will affect them.

Various support systems are available to companies for implementing REACH, but a grasp of the new legislation that applies to different products at various stages can be elusive, and fulfilling the obligations under REACH is a challenging process. This report can help you to overcome some of these crucial challenges and achieve REACH compliance.

Find out more about how REACH affects you directly regarding:

- Effects on selected industries (such as paper and lubricants, including metalworking fluids)
- Products covered
- Timelines for pre-registration and registration
- Products of concern
- Positive and negative ramifications
- Sources of support
- Recommendations for industry participants

### Kline Insights

This section effectively brings together the important implications of REACH at various levels, discussing how large companies and SMEs are likely to be affected in different ways, as well as the product categories affected. It also outlines the benefits and problems that REACH is likely to present and illustrates the effects of REACH with examples from selected industries.

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