



## EUROPEAN REGULATION (EC) NO. 1272/2008 ON CLASSIFICATION, LABELLING AND PACKAGING OF SUBSTANCES AND MIXTURES (CLP REGULATION), EU ADOPTION OF THE GLOBALLY HARMONISED SYSTEM (GHS)

On 20 January 2009 the CLP regulation became active in all EU member states, implementing the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) on the classification and labeling of chemicals (GHS) into national legislation.

As of 1 December 2010 suppliers must include CLP classification on Safety Data Sheets (SDS) of substances, alongside previous hazard information, and substances must be labeled and packaged according to CLP regulations. CLP will supersede the Dangerous Substances Directive 67/548/EEC (DSD) and the Dangerous Preparations Directive 1999/45/EC (DPD) over time. These directives will finally be repealed after a transitional period, *i.e.*, on 1 June 2015. Beginning 1 June 2015, classification, labeling, and packaging must all be fully compliant with CLP. For substances that were not on the market in the European states before 1 December 2010, notification is required within one month of placing the substance on the market for the first time.

If a substance was registered under REACH in 2010, then CLP classification will have been agreed upon and included as part of the registration. This information should also have been made available to other potential registrants via the Substance Information Exchange Forum (SIEF). If you have already provided the same information to be notified to ECHA in the form of a registration under REACH, an additional notification to the Agency for CLP is unwarranted. However, suppliers of lower tonnage substances which are hazardous and due for REACH registration in 2013 or 2018 must also notify now for CLP compliance – often without a comprehensive database. **toXcel** can confirm your compliance and assess your potential obligations to submit CLP notification to ECHA.

CLP notification is submitted to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) via the REACH-IT portal; there are no ECHA fees associated with this process. **toXcel** can complete the notification on your behalf or guide you through the process. We can also re-format your SDS's for you to comply with the new legislation.

If your registration through REACH means that your SDS must also include Exposure Scenarios (ES), **toXcel** can work with you to ensure these scenarios are appropriate for your workplace and uses. In addition, if you have specific ES's that were not included by the Lead Registrant then **toXcel** can provide these and help you compile an SDS that contains information that is both pertinent and comprehensible to your downstream users.

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