

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Statement



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Invertex strive to remain up to date with appropriate compliance changes; Whether this be accomplished through various forms of compliance-related documents or investigating our supply chain regularly - we are committed to keeping our customers informed of what Invertex is doing at present context, with the shifting compliance data. It is with this said that we felt it was appropriate to update our PFAs statement and provide further details of what Invertex are doing in regard to Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS).

A vast family of synthetic compounds known as PFAS is employed in several industries, yet they are increasingly detected as environmental pollutants. Initially the proposal was made in January 2023 to ban these.

In June 2024 the Committees for Risk Assessment (RAC) and for Socio-Economic Analysis (SEAC) provisionally concluded on four sectors that could be impacted by the proposal to restrict per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in the EU. They also announced the next sectors to be evaluated. However, the conclusions agreed at RAC and SEAC meetings are provisional until the committees finalise the evaluation of the entire restriction proposal (including all sectors of use) and adopt their opinions. These opinions will then be communicated to the public.

IDL are taking the initiative to continuously monitor the situation both from the ECHA and within our supply chain. Whether a full ban or partial ban is the outcome. We continue to gain clarification of whether there will be an impact on our operations and products. Our suppliers have advised that they are aware of the ban, and either won't be directly affected or are also taking the steps to ensure minimal impact.

As further information becomes available, Invertex will be in touch with its suppliers, to ensure that we remain up to date with current regulations, and we will then relay this to our customers.

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