



Latest news: ECHA agreed to identify two substances as SVHC

Helsinki, 15 December 2025 - In its December meeting, ECHA's Member State Committee (MSC) **agreed to identify n-hexane as a substance of very high concern, SVHC**, a first neurotoxic case of equivalent level of concern (ELOC). Another substance, **4,4'-[2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene]diphenol and its salts, was identified without the committee's involvement.**

ECHA will add both substances to the Candidate List of substances of very high concern in February 2026.

No.	Substance name	EC No.	CAS No.	Reason	Potential uses
1	4,4'-[2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene]diphenol and its salts	-	-	Toxic for reproduction (Article 57c)	It is mainly used as a monomer to synthesize fluorine-containing polymers, and can also be used to synthesize dyes, photosensitive materials, and optical brighteners.
2	N-hexane	203-777-6	110-54-3	Equivalent level of concern having probable serious effects to human health (Article 57(f) - human health)	Used in polishes and waxes, adhesives and sealants, antifreeze products, biocides, coating products, textile treatment products and dyes, and cosmetics and personal care products, etc.

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According to REACH, if SVHC is contained in article in a concentration that greater than 0.1% (w/w), downstream importers shall be notified with such information for communication and also provided with certifications. However, if SVHC is contained in article in a concentration that greater than 0.1% (w/w) and the volume for export is more than 1 tonne, notification of such information to ECHA is necessary. According to the WFD requirements, starting from January 5, 2021, if the SVHC content in an article is greater than 0.1%, the company needs to make a SCIP notification.

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