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## NEWSLETTER

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#### LEAD AMMUNITION RESTRICTION PROPOSAL HAS BEEN APPROVED IN EU



Member States voted in favor of restricting the use of lead ammunition in or around wetlands at the European Commission's REACH Committee meeting on 3 September.

The Commission proposal still needs to be examined by the Council of the European Union and the European Parliament before it can be adopted.  
The restriction will be applied only to civil uses and not to military uses,

It has long been known that the lead contained in shot and bullets or in fishing tackle can lead to the poisoning of wild species, such as birds. Residual lead present in game shot using lead ammunition can also have direct consequences for human health.

Lead exposure is associated with a wide range of negative health effects, including reduced fertility, consequences for neonatal and infant development, organ damage due to prolonged or repeated exposure and the development of cancerous diseases. Lead is particularly harmful to the neurological development of children. Current data suggests that there is no safe level of lead consumption.

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## **CHINA: GUIDANCE ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT REGISTRATION OF NEW CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES**

On 26 August 2020, the Chinese Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE) has published a notice on its official website, announcing to consult the draft guidance on the registration of environmental management of new chemicals.

The draft Guidance provides implementation rules for MEE Order No. 12 with regard to registration scope, types and procedures, documents required, special rules on polymers, new usage management, registration certificate, etc. It not apply to pesticide technical materials, active pharmaceutical ingredients, waste water, waste gas and waste solids, so as to avoid regulatory duplication.

The document sets forth requirements concerning assessment and analysis reports. It requires that the environmental risk assessment be conducted on a quantitative basis, and provides specific rules concerning hazard assessment, exposure assessment, environmental risk characterization, etc. For the socio-economic benefit analysis reports, there shall be adequate evidence for whether new chemicals are relatively or significantly advantageous, compared with chemicals which are already in use, in terms of their impacts on human health or the environment and socio-economic benefits.

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## **TAIWAN RESTRICTS THE IMPORT OF ARTICLES CONTAINING MERCURY**



At the end of August the Taiwan Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a notice announcing restrictions on the import of products containing mercury from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. The products that will be restricted include switches, relays, non-electronic measuring devices such as barometers, hygrometers, manometers, sphygmomanometers, etc.

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## **KKIDIK (TURKISH REACH): PREREGISTRATION DEADLINE SET ON 31/12/2020.**



In 2017, Turkey published and consolidated the text of the KKIDIK regulation regarding chemicals that can be placed on local national market. The scheme adopted follows the European REACH regulation in many prescriptions, so much so that it is often referred to as Turkey-REACH.

One of the significant differences is that there is only one registration deadline for all tonnage bands, set for 31/12/2023.

**At this stage, the possibility is open to pre-register by 31/12/2020.**

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