

# Some news regarding Polyurethane Adhesives and Sealants



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On 4 August 2020 a new restriction on diisocyanates under REACH was adopted by the European authorities. This specifies the need for training for industrial or professional users of polyurethanes with a concentration of diisocyanate greater than 0.1% by weight.

This restriction has been adopted by UK authorities under GB REACH see the full regulation [Here](#)

## **Polyurethane products are manufactured by reacting polyols with diisocyanates**

This covers all of our Polyurethane Adhesives and Sealants including PU Sealants (40, 50 & 60), LTM4, EC400, EM400, LTM8, RC261 (all variants), aerosol foam, TradePUR Rapid, Anaconda PUR Glue, certain canister adhesives, most Sika products and some others.

This training and certification is mandatory and must be completed by 24 August 2023 with records being kept by employers, and renewed every five years. If you're selling these products on, you will need to pass this information onto your customers.

We will be looking into the training required and may be able to offer it through the company we use at present for our in house employee training, if required.

## **Product labelling**

The new restriction also specifies the need for labelling requirements from 24 February 2022. The following sentence should appear on the label of products used industrially or professionally and should be visibly distinct from the rest of the label information.

**As from 24 August 2023 adequate training is required before industrial or professional use**

Our labels will be changing shortly to reflect this change. We also need to add this to any own label products as well as a new phrase for anything containing TiO<sub>2</sub>

For customers supplying their own label design, we will be in touch shortly to discuss any changes required.

Any questions have a look here – [FAQ](#) – or feel free to give us a call