



# MATERIAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUPPLIERS

## 1. Introduction

This agreement defines the requirements for business relationships with the ECKERLE Group (hereinafter collectively referred to as ECKERLE, including affiliated companies). The purpose of this agreement is to avoid quality defects and delivery problems and to ensure compliance with relevant legal requirements within the supply chain.

By accepting contracts from ECKERLE, the supplier is responsible for ensuring that these requirements are reviewed, understood, and fulfilled. The supplier shall maintain its own documentation demonstrating compliance with these requirements and must be able to provide such documentation upon request.

## 2. Requirements for Product Qualifications

ECKERLE expects suppliers to be aware of the composition of delivered products with regard to legal requirements and to ensure compliance within upstream supply chains. If exemptions from specific obligations are used, these must be communicated to ECKERLE.

The key product-related requirements are:

### 2.1 REACH

The supplier expressly undertakes to supply only products that comply with all requirements of the European Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006 ("REACH") and (EC) No. 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation), in their latest versions. This also applies if the supplier is not based in the EU. This includes but is not limited to: registration and information obligations under REACH, classification, labeling, and packaging obligations under the CLP Regulation, where applicable. The supplier shall provide safety data sheets and technical information for substances and mixtures. Safety data sheets should also be provided for non-classified mixtures that contain substances from the candidate list.

In particular, the requirements arising from Articles 56 and 67 of the REACH Regulation, in conjunction with Annexes XIV and XVII relating to restricted and authorization-required substances, must be strictly complied with by the supplier. The supplier must immediately inform ECKERLE if the chemicals supplied contain substances subject to restriction or authorization. For this purpose, the supplier must also proactively obtain information and data from its upstream supply chain.

Substances subject to restrictions must be declared with: Substance name, CAS number, EC number, concentration (weight %). Relevant regional, national, and international legal regulations must be specified. If substances requiring authorization are contained in chemicals, or are used in the production of materials, the supplier must immediately inform whether: an authorization will be pursued, or a substitution is planned (including timeline), if the substance is listed in Annex XIV.

Compliance with registration obligations and the provision of up-to-date, complete safety data sheets in accordance with REACH (and, where applicable, CLP) are considered essential for any supply.

In the case of supplying articles and chemicals as defined under REACH, the supplier is obliged to inform ECKERLE immediately and in a separate communication if a substance from the candidate list is present in the delivered product at a concentration greater than 0.1% (w/w): for articles: per individual article (in accordance with ECJ judgment of 10 September 2015, C-106/14)

If candidate list substances may be generated during normal use, this must also be communicated without request. The supplier must also provide information on whether substances from the candidate list are partially or fully reduced during intended use.

### 2.2 RoHS

The supplier undertakes to manufacture and deliver products in compliance with the latest version of Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS – Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances). Upon request, the supplier must provide appropriate proof (e.g., analysis certificate).

### RoHS International

Upon request, the supplier undertakes to determine and provide information relevant to international RoHS regulations for its products.

## 3. Change Management

Any change concerning the above-mentioned articles or chemicals must be evaluated by the supplier without further request and must be communicated where notification is required under REACH or RoHS regulations. Please refer to the current ECHA candidate list: <https://echa.europa.eu/de/candidate-list-table>

### ECKERLE Group

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