



## BODENBELÄGE UND TREPPENSYSTEME



### REACH - NO DATA – NO MARKET

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Registration	Evaluation	Authorization	Chemicals

On 1 June 2007 the new EU-chemical regulation number 1907/2006 (REACH - Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals) has come into effect. The EU Commission's goal is protecting people and the environment while enhancing the competitiveness and innovative strength of European industry.

For producers, importers and users, this means that chemicals can't be marketed without the corresponding data. As per the schedule of deadlines and the requirements (staggered by volume produced/imported), producers and importers must evaluate the risks associated with each substance, develop suitable measures for ensuring its safe use and inform their customers. High-risk substances will undergo a rigorous authorization procedure. Some 30,000 existing substances already on the European market will have to be registered with the new Helsinki-based European Chemicals Agency. This agency will make non-confidential data about substances and their risks available via its internet database. Consumers now have the right to find out whether products contain substances that give serious cause for concern.

Debolon, as a manufacturer of floor- coverings, aims to fulfill all REACH demands and cooperates. We are in close contact with our suppliers, and all information we are getting out of REACH will be become part of our internal customer information.

Today, we can say that all our used raw materials are or shall be pre-registered. Substances published in the candidate list from ECHA on the 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2008 are not used in our products. All substances used in our formulations are bought in the EU. Please keep in mind, that this information is state of knowledge from October 2008. We assure you that also in future we do everything possible to be able to supply all our products in unchanged quality and quantity at fair and competitive prices.

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