



REACH COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

REACH, an acronym for <u>Registration</u>, <u>Evaluation</u>, <u>Authorization</u>, and <u>Restriction of Chemicals</u>, is a comprehensive *European Union* regulation that governs the production and use of chemical substances and assesses their potential impact on human health and the environment.

The primary objective of REACH is to enhance the protection of human health and the environment through the improved and earlier identification of the intrinsic properties of chemical substances.

Under the definitions associated with the REACH regulation, our textile products, including fabric, tape, tubing, are classified as "articles." The coatings applied to the surfaces of these articles are substances that are not intended to be released during normal use.

In the same way, our safety apparel products like gloves and mitts, and suits, are considered "articles".

According to REACH, a substance release from an article is considered "intended" if it is essential for the article's end-use function or if it adds value to the article. For example, the release of ink from a ballpoint pen is an intended release.

Given the scope of the REACH regulation, Newtex products do not require REACH registration as there is no intentional release of substances from our articles. This ensures that our products remain compliant with REACH while maintaining their high standards of safety and performance.

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