

## Customer Information Note

### EuPIA Printing Inks - categorised as Industrial Mixtures

*This note confirms the correct official classification for printing inks and related products sold by EuPIA members and has been created in response to requests from the European printing industry for clarification, especially with relation to the new 'poison centres' legislation.*

Without exception, all products within the scope of the EuPIA membership criteria\* that are manufactured and supplied by EuPIA members are termed 'industrial mixtures', in accordance with the formal categorisation terminology used by the European authorities, especially the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) and the EU's REACH chemicals legislation.<sup>1</sup>

This is clearly indicated on the safety data sheets and other product literature provided by the ink manufacturer / supplier to their customers.

Likewise, it should be noted that EuPIA members do not supply products (within the scope of the EuPIA membership) which may be termed either 'consumer' or 'professional' mixtures for any printing applications.

In accordance with the new 'poison centres' legislation, Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/542 of 22 March 2017 (a new Annex VIII to the CLP Regulation "on harmonised information relating to emergency health response"), EuPIA members are required to make submissions for their products as **mixtures for industrial use only** by 1st January 2024 at the latest. (Note however that some Member States currently have national notification requirements for these mixtures, in which case existing submissions remain valid until 1st January 2025, unless an update is required before that date.)

\* Please note that digital inks supplied by some members of EuPIA to members of the general public / consumers for home printer use are not within the scope of the EuPIA membership criteria.

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<sup>1</sup> See Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, and ECHA *Guidance on Information Requirements and Chemical Safety Assessment*, [Chapter R.12: Use description](#) (Appendix R.12.3).