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UPDATE

Health & Safety Guidance – using Diisocyanates

REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction of Chemicals) labelling and training regulations – reminder of your responsibility.

We are sending this update to you as a reminder of your responsibility with regards to training of your installers for the safe use of products containing diisocyanates. This has been in place since 24 February 2022 and the labelling of all products containing the aforementioned was amended and came into effect in August 2023. This states that every operative must be trained in how to handle and apply products containing diisocyanates safely.

NFRC Guidance

The NFRC issued a Health & Safety Guidance notification on this topic in April 2023. We have attached the document with this update. Within it is a link to e-learning the PU Training Platform, available in six languages: English, German, French, Spanish, Italian and Dutch. The training material is related to PU adhesives and sealant applications in the construction sector, and with the FEICA voucher code FEICA_21_G the training is free of charge for end-users. If you successfully pass the test at the end of the training module, a certificate will be issued to show completion of the training.

LRWA training

The LRWA also references the relevant training, and it is necessary training for new starters. Existing staff should take a refresher every 5 years. Safe use of Diisocyanates Training <https://www.lrwa.org.uk/training/>

Which Bauder products contain diisocyanates?

To help identify which Bauder products contain diisocyanates, we have listed these below:

- All BauderPIR insulants
- Bauder PU Insulation Adhesive – Tin
- Bauder PU Fleece-Backed Membrane Adhesive (blue) - Drum
- Bauder PU Fleece-Backed Membrane Adhesive (pink) - Canister
- Bauder LiquiTOP PU
- Bauder Sealant Primer

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An example of what is printed on the label is shown below with the relevant text in the red box:

DANGER Highly flammable liquid and vapour. May cause an allergic skin reaction. Causes serious eye irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness. Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid breathing mist or vapours. Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection/ hearing protection. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.

Contains: ethyl acetate, Benzene, 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methyl-, polymer with 1,6-diisocyanatohexane 3-trimethoxysilylpropane-1-thiol, p-toluenesulphonyl isocyanate, hexamethylene diisocyanate, 4-methyl-m-phenylene diisocyanate

Contains isocyanates. May produce an allergic reaction.

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

If you have any questions on this topic, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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