

Information regarding the entry of lead into the SVHC list of REACH and notification obligation under article 33 of the REACH regulation

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Based on the European Union (EU) regulation of chemicals (REACH), a new SVHC (substance of very high concern) list has been published on June 27th, 2018, in which **lead** has been classified as a dangerous substance for the first time.

The complete list can be found on the ECHA (European chemicals agency) website <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>. The regulation covers all substances throughout Europe that consist of more than 0.1% of a SVHC listed substance, regardless of their industry, product type and field of application.

According to this regulation and for the protection of man and the environment **DBK EMS GmbH & Co. KG** aims to use lead-free components. However, if it is necessary to produce according to the customer's material list, components containing lead will be procured and used.

Due to the manufacturing process, lead contained in components and soldering is bonded in the assemblies, which is why dissolution without further physical influence is not to be expected. Additional handling instructions are therefore not required.

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