

Regulatory Position Statement

INEOS O&P USA RESPONDS TO PRODUCT STEWARDSHIPS REQUESTS WITH A STANDARDIZED REGULATORY POSITION STATEMENT (RPS) WHICH SUMMARIZES THE GLOBAL REGULATORY STATUS OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED PRODUCT. PLEASE NOTE THAT COMPLIANCE WITH THESE REGULATIONS SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED TO GUARANTEE THAT THE PRODUCT, WILL, IN FACT, PERFORM IN A PARTICULAR APPLICATION. YOUR TECHNICAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE CAN HELP YOU DETERMINE THAT THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PRODUCT ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE DESIRED CONDITIONS OF USE.

International Standards

For information relating to compliance with NSF International or CSA International standards, please visit the corresponding website(s) at www.nsf.org or www.csagroup.org, or send an email to your INEOS Sales or Technical Service Representative.

United States FDA Compliance – Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)

Regarding the compliance status of the product referenced above with the regulation(s) identified below the following can be declared, as applicable to plastic intermediate materials:

This product is not suitable for use in food contact products.

GMP, FSMA, and EU Commission Reg. (EU) No 2023/2006

INEOS O&P USA maintains an ISO 9001:2015 quality management system that corresponds to the requirements of FSMA and EC No 2023/2006 and addresses good manufacturing practice (GMP) for materials intended to come into contact with food. US FDA regulations do not specifically require food contact material manufacturers to be GMP certified.

This product complies with the relevant requirements of Regulation 2023/2006/EC (GMP) and as amended, applicable to intermediate materials (e.g., plastic powders, plastic granules, or plastic flakes).

A copy of the current certificate is available online by following the link provided here: ISO CERTIFICATE

Halal, Kosher Status

This grade has not received Halal or Kosher certification. However, we can hereby confirm that no animal fats, oils, milk products or other animal- or tallow-derived products are used as components of, or in the manufacture of, this product.

Allergens

None of the substances listed as causing allergies or intolerances in the following legislations or standards are intentionally added to this grade or expected to be present:

- Annex II of Regulation (EU) 1169/2011
- Food Allergen Labelling and Consumer Protection Act of 2004 (FALCPA)
- China food safety standard GB 7718-2011
- Brazil Anvisa RDC 727/2022

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Allergens and/or their derivatives from such things as pigments, fragrances, artificial sweeteners (e.g. aspartame), corn, tree nuts (e.g. almonds, Brazil nuts, cashews, hazelnuts, macadamia nuts, pecans, pine nuts, pistachios or walnuts); peanuts, lupins, soy/soybeans, peas, carmine/cochineal, milk, lecithin, eggs, fish (e.g. bass, flounder, cod), crustacea shellfish (e.g. crab, lobster, or shrimp), molluscs, celery, sesame or sesame seeds, mustard or mustard seeds, diacetyl, glutamites, glutamic acid, sulphur dioxide, MSG or hydrolysed vegetable proteins, nitrites or sulphites, or gluten from the grains of the following cereals: barley; oats; rye; triticale; or wheat.

Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO)

Because of the multitude of crop sources used, our suppliers of plant-based additives are unable to certify that their products are 100% GMO-free.

Global Inventory Status

The base polymer of this product is a Polyethylene Copolymer with CAS number 25213-02-9. For information on the components of our product and their concentration, please refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) and the Technical Data Sheet (TDS). Any hazardous constituents above regulatory disclosure cut-off limits determined according to their regional and/or specific GHS classification(s) will appear in the ingredients section of the SDS.

Country	Inventory	Status
United States of America	EPA Toxic Substance Control Act: TSCA – Active Substance List	Υ
Canada	Domestic Substances List: DSL or Non-Domestic Substance List: NDSL	Υ
Australia	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals: AIIC	Υ
European Union	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances: EINECS	Υ
Japan	Japan Inventory of Existing & New Chemical Substances: METI/ENCS	Υ
South Korea	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory: KECI	Υ
China	Chinese List on New Chemical Substances: IECSC	Υ
Philippines	Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances: PICCS	Υ
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals: NZIoC	Υ
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory: TCSI	Υ

EU REACH

Please refer to our INEOS REACH Statement online covering applicable REACH registration under Technical Information or by following the link provided here: INEOS REACH Statement.

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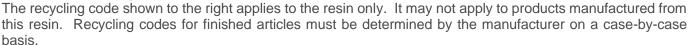
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This grade is compliant with CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, as amended. A Safety Data Sheet can be downloaded here: Product SDS.

On January 23, 2024, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) added five new substances to the Candidate List of Substances for eventual inclusion on the Annex XIV List of Substances subject to Authorisation; bringing the total number of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) on the List to 240. The full Candidate List of SVHC for Authorisation can be found here: SVHC List.

This product is not manufactured or formulated with any of the Annex XIV substances on the Authorisation list that would require reporting, if present above the 0.1% threshold, as stated in REACH (Article 57, Reg. No. 1907/2006).

Recycling





Regulations Applicable to End-Use Articles

Cosmetics

Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on cosmetic products, applies to cosmetics products and their ingredients as defined by the Article 1 of this regulation.

This polymer does not intentionally add substances listed in in Annex II or III of the Cosmetics Regulation 1223/2009, as amended up to Regulation 2019/1966, which may be present at levels above 10 ppm.

Safety of Toys

Directive 2009/48/EC on the safety of toys, as amended to Commission directive (EU) 2019/1922, includes safety requirements the toys need to comply with to be placed on the market and not specifically to intermediate plastic materials.

This product conforms to the substance limits and/or prohibition requirements of the following:

- Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) of 2008/Lead and Phthalates in Toys
- EU Safety of Toys EN 71-3: 2019+A1:2021

Other Regulations

This product is in compliance with the relevant requirements of the following regulations:

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BADGE/NOGE - EU Commission Regulation (EC) No 1895/2005

This Regulation does not apply to our product because our products are not manufactured with any of the following substances:

- 2,2-bis(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane bis(2,3-epoxypropyl) ether, hereinafter referred to as 'BADGE' (CAS No 001675-54-3), and some of its derivatives;
- bis(hydroxyphenyl)methane bis(2,3-epoxypropyl)ethers, hereinafter referred to as 'BFDGE' (CAS No 039817-09-9);
- other novolac glycidyl ethers, hereinafter referred to as 'NOGE'.

CA Prop 65 - Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, as amended.

No substance listed on California's Proposition 65 chemicals listing, known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity, is intentionally added in the manufacture of this product. It remains the responsibility of the final article's producer to ensure compliance and reporting according to California Proposition 65 requirements.

Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA, 1999)

The List of Toxic Substances in Schedule 1 of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (CEPA) includes substances that are considered to be toxic as defined in Section 64 of the Act. None of the chemicals on WHMIS, Canada's Prohibition of Certain Toxic Substances list or the Canadian Chemical Management Plan are intentionally added as raw materials to this product.

Japan Chemical Substance Control Law (CSCL)

None of the chemicals on CSCL: Class I or II Specified Chemical Substances, ISHA Chemical Substances Prohibited or Requiring Permission for Manufacturing, or Japan Poisonous and Deleterious Substances Control Act are intentionally added as raw materials to this product.

Microplastics - Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/2055

INEOS intermediate plastic raw materials are supplied in the form of pellets or powder and fall under the definition of synthetic polymer microparticles. However, according to point 4. (a) of this Restriction, this shall not apply to the placing on the market of synthetic polymer microparticles, as substances on their own or in mixtures, for use at industrial sites. In this respect, we consider that synthetic polymer microparticles are no more present in this grade as dispatched from our plant.

Metals

US CONEG – "Toxics in Packaging Clearinghouse"

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The regulated metals - lead, mercury, cadmium, and hexavalent chromium - are not intentionally added during the manufacturing process. Testing for heavy metals - cadmium, chromium, lead and mercury - resulted in a total for all metals detected of < 2 ppm, compared to the CONEG requirement of < 100 ppm. The result for incidental lead concentration was less than the detection limit of 0.1 ppm.

This grade is not compliant to the 2021 amended Toxics in Packaging Clearinghouse (TPCH), established by the Coalition of North-Eastern Governors (CONEG). It contains intentionally added PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) listed as prohibited.

EU Packaging and Packaging Waste

European Parliament and Council Directive 94/62/EC of 20 December 1994 on packaging and packaging waste ("Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive"), as amended up to Commission Directive 2018/852 of 30 May 2018.

Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electric and Electronic Equipment (RoHS)

Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2011 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment, as amended, including Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2015/863 of 31 March 2015 also known as RoHS 3.

Nanomaterials

This intermediate plastic raw material as supplied as well as all substances used in its manufacture do not fall under the definition of "nanomaterial" as provided in the Commission Recommendation on the definition of nanomaterial 2022/C 229/01 (updating Commission Recommendation 2011/696/EU).

Waste

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)

Directive 2012/19/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 on waste electrical and electronic equipment, as amended.

End of Life Vehicles

Directive 2000/53/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 September 2000 on end-of life vehicles, as amended.

Substances of Concern to Our Customers

Based on knowledge of our raw materials and information from our suppliers, we can state that none of the substances of concern to our customers listed in the table below are intentionally added to this product.

Halogens

This grade contains at least one additive containing Fluorine (F) as element in its composition. No other Halogens (Chlorine (CI), Bromine (Br), Iodine (I), and Astatine (At)) or Halogenated Compounds are intentionally added to this grade.

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IMDS and Global Automotive Declarable Substance List (GADSL)

At least one substance listed as Declarable or Prohibited in the Global Automotive Declarable Substance List (GADSL) list published February 2023 is used in the manufacture of this grade. The complete list can be downloaded from https://www.gadsl.org/.

Since February 2021, the "Critical Raw Materials list" Group substances are listed in the GADSL. These substances are required to be reported in IMDS data sheets when they are present above 0.1% wt in the material. We hereby confirm that at least one of the substances listed as Critical Raw Materials are intentionally used as a raw material in this grade, however it is present below the 0.1% threshold.

Per- and Polyfluorinated Compounds (PFAS)

This grade contains at least one intentionally added substance falling under the definition of PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) as defined by OECD in their document "Reconciling Terminology of the Universe of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances: Recommendations and Practical Guidance, OECD Series on Risk Management, No. 61, OECD Publishing, Paris".

However, we can confirm that the following compounds are not intentionally added to this grade: Perfluorooctane sulfonate acid PFOS (CAS No. 1763-23-1); Perfluorooctanoic acid PFOA (CAS No. 335-67-1); Perfluorononanoic acid PFNA (CAS No. 375-95-1); Perfluorobutanoic acid PFBA (CAS No. 375-22-4); Perfluoroalkyl phosphate esters PAPs; perfluorinated carboxylic acids PFCAs.

We do not conduct routine analytical testing for the presence of these substances in our products and we cannot guarantee that there are no trace amounts of these substances, as impurity or otherwise, in this product.

Absence of Substances and Chemicals	
■ 1,4-Dioxane	 Asbestos
3-MCPD (3-monochloropropane)	 Azo dyes/ Colorants/Pigments
 Acrylamide 	Azodicarbonamide or semi-carbazide compounds
 Alkyphenols and Ethoxylates: Octylphenol and Nonylphenol ethoxylates 	 Benzophenones, hydroxybenzophenone and 4-methyl benzophenone
Allergens or allergen derivatives	 Benzoate Preservatives (e.g., BHA, BHT, TBHQ)
 Animal or Human Derived Material/TSE/BSE¹ 	Bisphenols (e.g., A, AF, AP, B, BP, C, E, F, FL, G, M, P, PH, S, TMC, Z)
 Antimicrobial agents/ Biocides/ Fungicides/ Pesticides (Substances identified as such and used for such purpose)² 	Bromine or Bromine Compounds
 Aromatic Amines 	 Carboxymethylcellulose

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Absence of Substances and Chemicals	
 Chlorinated paraffins (Short Chain (SCCPs), Medium Chain (MCCPs), and Long Chain (LCCPs)) 	 IUCN Red List of Threatened Species
Chlorine or Chlorinated Compounds	 Jatropha Oil
 Chlorofluorocarbons (CFC), hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFC), hydrofluorocarbons (HFC) 	Latex or Natural Rubber
CITES Appendix (I, II, III)	Melamine and cyanuric acid
Cobalt or Cobalt Compounds	 Methylisothiazolinone (MI / MIT) & Methylchloroisothiazolinone (MCI / CMIT)
Cocamide diethanolamide	 Microbeads
 Conflict Minerals: columbite-tantalite, coltan, niobium, tantalum, cassiterite (tin), gold, and wolframite (tungsten)³ 	 Mineral Oils – MOAH or MOSH⁴
 Decabromodiphenyl ether (Deca) 	 Nanoparticles
 Diethanolamine salts of mono- and bis 	 N-Ethyl-toluenesulfonamide (Ortho/Para)
■ Dimethyl Fumarate (DMF)	 Nickel or Nickel compounds
 Dioxins and furans 	 Nitrates
■ Endocrine Disruptors ⁵	 Nitrocellulose
■ Epoxidized Soybean Oil (ESBO)	 Nitrosamines
 Flame Retardants (e.g., Brominated, Halogenated, Phosphorous- or Nitrogen-based, Chlorinated, etc.) 	 Organotin Compounds, such as tributyl tin, trimethyl tin oxide, triphenyl tin, and trialkyl tin
■ Formaldehyde	 Ozone Depleting Chemicals (ODCs)⁶
 Fragrances 	 Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)
 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) Section 112(b) of the US Clean Air Act 	Parabens
Heavy Metals (e.g., As, Ba, Cd, Cr, Hg, Ni, Pb, Sb, Se)	 Pentanoic acid
 International Council for Harmonisation (ICH) Q3D Elemental Impurities 	Perchlorates
"Intelligent packaging" materials	Perfluoroalkyl substituted phosphate ester acids

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Absence of Substances and Chemicals			
 Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic (PBT) Chemicals Under EPA TSCA Section 6(h) 	■ REACH Annexes XIV and XVII		
 Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) as listed in Regulation (EU) 2019/1021 Annex I-IV, including all amendments up to (EU) 2021/277, amending EC No 850/2004 & Annexes A, B, & C of Stockholm Convention 	■ Silica		
Phthalates (e.g., BBP, BDP, DBP, DCP, DEHP, DEP, DiBP, DiDP, DiNP, DMP, DnHP, DnOP, DiiHP) ⁷	 Silicone 		
■ Photoinitiators (e.g., 2-Isopropylthioxantone (ITX))	Solvents		
Polysorbate 80	 State Lists (e.g., Chemicals of Concern, including Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Oregon, Vermont, Washington) 		
Polybrominated compounds (e.g., PBBs, PBDEs, and PBTs)	■ Styrene		
 Polyhalogenated Organo Compounds (e.g., PCBs, PCTs, PCNs, and Ugilec) 	Thiuram Mix		
Primary Aromatic Amines (PAAs)	Titanium Acetyl Acetonate (TAA)		
 Recycled or Reused Material (as defined in Art. 1 paragraph 3. Of Regulation (EU) 2022/1616 	 Tris (Nonylphenyl) phosphite (TNPP) 		
■ Red List (Living Future Bldg. Materials List)	 Triclosan (2,4,4' –trichloro-2'-hydroxy-diphenyl ether) 		
 Radioactive Substances 	 Vinyl chloride monomer (VCM) and its polymers or copolymers (PVC, PVDC) 		

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Classification and Labelling Information

Classification and labelling information according to latest legislation requirements can be found in the Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for relevant product / country combinations and can be found here: Product SDS

For further information, please visit our website www.ineos-op.com.

As agent for INEOS O&P USA,

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² Biocidal Products (as defined in art.3 of Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012 as amended, specifically as any substance or mixture, in the form in which it is supplied to the user, consisting of, containing, or generating one or more active substances, with the intention of destroying, deterring, rendering harmless, preventing the action of, or otherwise exerting a controlling effect on, any harmful organism by any means other than mere physical or mechanical action") are not used in the manufacture of or formulation of this product. The above product is not listed in the Annex "Active Substances Approved for Use in Plant Protection Products (i.e., fungicides, insecticides, plant growth regulators, rooting hormones, preserving plant products, herbicides, weed killers ...) of the Commission Regulation No 540/2011 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 as regards the list of approved active substances - Amendments - Commission implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1915 of 6 December 2018.

³ INEOS O&P USA (INEOS O&P) is not a publicly traded company so is not subject to the SEC reporting requirements of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer

⁴ Mineral Oils are not intentionally used as raw materials or additives in the manufacture of this grade. MOSH (Mineral Oil Saturated Hydrocarbons) and MOAH (Mineral Oil Aromatic Hydrocarbons) are not intentionally added as raw materials or additives. MOAH are not expected to be present. However, we cannot confirm the absence of MOSH as they represent a chromatographic fraction of hydrocarbons which could come from other sources, including but not exclusively oligomers, also known as POSH (Polyolefin Oligomeric Saturated Hydrocarbons). POSH are an intrinsic part of polyolefins and the result of the polymerization process. They can present hydrocarbon fractions similar to MOSH depending on the analytical technique used. It has been demonstrated that consumer exposure to oligomers from polyolefins food packaging under typical conditions of use is not a safety concern to

⁵ None of the substances intentionally used in the manufacture of this grade are listed as having Endocrine Disrupting properties under Lists I, II and III of Endocrine Disruptors ists.org/the-ed-lists and under the Candidate List of substances of very high concern for Authorisation as published under REACH Regulation (EC) 1907/2006.

⁶ Materials listed in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (Class I, CFCs and Class II, HCFCs, Halons and the solvents, carbon tetrachloride and 1,1,1-trichloroethane) and ozone-depleting substances (ODS), listed in the Annexes I & II of the Regulation (EC) No 1005/2009 of 16 September 2009, are not intentionally used in the production of this

⁷ No phthalates (e.g., DEHP, DIDP, DINP, DMP, DIDP, BBP, DNOP, DBP, DEP) are intentionally added nor used as additives or raw materials in the manufacture of this product.