



# SABINSA EUROPE GmbH

- *Pharmaceuticals*
- *Fine Chemicals*
- *Cosmeceuticals*

- *Phytochemicals*
- *Herbal Extracts*
- *Specialty Chemicals*

## To whom it may concern

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## REACH

### Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals;

REACH is the new European chemicals legislation. REACH stands for 'Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals'. It applies to all 27 EU countries plus Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein. It will not apply to Switzerland.

Every chemical marketed in the EU in a quantity over 1 ton per year will have to be registered. Registration involves submitting a large and complicated technical dossier

Only European legal entities can register: European chemical manufacturers, European importers and European 'Only Representatives' of Non European chemical manufacturers or formulators.

New substances must be registered immediately. 'Phase in' (i.e. existing) substances will be registered spread out over time. The timing depends on the volume in which they are marketed: large volume chemicals (>1000 t/a per legal entity) by 2010, the smallest volumes (1 -100 t/a) by 2018.

Pre-registration is needed for existing substances. The pre-registration window is from 1 June and 1 December 2008. There will be no extension. Late pre-registration is only possible in exceptional cases. No pre-registration means no more marketing in Europe until the actual registration.

Dossiers for chemicals marketed in quantities over 100 t/a will be evaluated by competent authorities. Substances of Very High Concern will be subject to a permitting system (Authorization).

### ***Pre-registration***

The first obligation of a manufacturer or importer of substances is pre-registration. This action is extremely important. Pre-registration must take place between 1 June and 1 December 2008.

Only pre-registered substances will be allowed to stay on the market without registration until the end of the registration period for their volume band. Substances that have not been pre-registered will be treated as new chemicals, and these will not be allowed on the market without full registration. Where a chemical is not pre-registered in time, it cannot be marketed anymore after closure of the pre-registration window.

***Hereby, we would like to inform you that Sabinsa has completed the necessary REACH Pre-registration for our existing cosmeceutical product lines in order to safeguard our customer's relations. In addition, future product pipelines are also REACH Pre-registered or in the process of Pre-registration which shall be completed by November end.***

*Upon request we will send you the list of registered chemicals of Sabinsa*

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