

REACH (EU & UK) Regulations



What are “REACH Regulations”?

REACH is a European Union & post BREXIT a UK regulation concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction of **C**hemicals. It came into force on 1st June 2007 and replaced a number of European Directives and Regulations with a single system.

Purpose & Aims of REACH?

- To provide a high level of protection of human health and the environment from the use of chemicals.
- To make the people who place chemicals on the market (manufacturers and importers responsible for understanding and managing the risks associated with their use.)
- To allow the free movement of substances on the EU & UK market.
- To enhance innovation in and the competitiveness of the EU & UK chemicals industry.
- To promote the use of alternative methods for the assessment of the hazardous properties of substances eg. quantitative structure-activity relationships (QSAR) and read across.

Scope - Does the Barrett Steel Group Manufacture or Import Chemicals?

No - we have undergone a Group assessment of our product base, secondary products and consumables and assessed the impact of the regulations on our source of supply for all. Barrett Steel Limited (and subsidiary companies) have received guidance from the HSE and receive regular REACH update notifications and have defined that none of our steel products will fall into the requirements for the EU / UK regulations.

Definition & Commitment to Compliance

Barrett Steel Limited (and subsidiary companies) has robust systems in place to monitor & review legislation. This enables us to adapt to any new rules & regulations including the due diligence activities required to ensure we have achieved compliance throughout its supply chain.

Further Information

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<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/how-to-comply-with-reach-chemical-regulations?>

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