

**REACH DECLARATION**

Following the European Regulation

**Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006  
of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006  
concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals  
("REACH Regulation"),**

we,

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hereby declare that, to the best of our knowledge, all products put on the market by the Building & Industrial Glass Division ("BIGD") are in compliance with the requirements of REACH Regulation.

Louvain-la-Neuve, 22 March 2022



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## **Informative Annex**

REACH Regulation has entered into force on 1 June 2007.

REACH Regulation organises the management of chemicals in the European Economic Area, for ensuring a high level of protection of human health and the environment. It is based on the principle that it is for manufacturers, importers and downstream users to ensure that they manufacture, place on the market or use such substances that do not adversely affect human health or the environment. It requires for example that information on substances has to be communicated up and down the supply chain.

### **1. Registration & role of AGC Glass Europe as article producer**

The final products that AGC Glass Europe puts on the market and supplies are not substances or mixtures, but articles<sup>1</sup>.

The glass itself, which is the basic constituent of AGC Glass Europe products, is exempted from registration following Annex V.11<sup>2</sup>. For substances present in articles, REACH Regulation requires a registration of the substance if (i) that substance in articles is totaling over one ton per producer or importer per year, and (ii) that substance is intended to be released under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use (Art. 7.1.); this is not the case for BIGD glass products.

AGC Glass Europe is mainly a downstream user of substances and mixtures, in order to produce its own BIGD products. In this case, AGC Glass Europe takes care that its suppliers have pre-registered or registered their substances and are in compliance with REACH Regulation. From the beginning of 2009, AGC Glass Europe is discussing with its suppliers to ensure that AGC uses and its customers uses are considered and registered by its suppliers.

### **2. SVHC on the Candidate List for Authorisation & information in the supply chain**

AGC Glass Europe has a long time policy of avoiding as much as possible the presence of dangerous substances in its products. To the best of AGC Glass Europe knowledge, none of the substances of very high concern (SVHC) in the Candidate List<sup>3</sup> for Authorisation is present in BIGD products or in a part of those products (sub-article), in a concentration above 0,1% w/w.

However, if it would appear that a SVHC in the Candidate List is present in a concentration above 0,1% w/w in a BIGD product or in one of its part (sub-article), AGC Glass Europe would provide the recipient of the product with all the relevant information pursuant article 33.1 of REACH Regulation, and pursuant article 6.5 of Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 of Construction Products<sup>4</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> An object which during production is given a specific shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than does its chemical composition (REACH Regulation - Art. 3.3).

<sup>2</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) No 987/2008 of 8 October 2008 amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) as regards Annexes IV and V.

<sup>3</sup> <http://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>, last update of 17 January 2022 containing 223 entries.

<sup>4</sup> Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2011 laying down harmonised conditions for the marketing of construction products and repealing Council Directive 89/106/EEC.

Also, if it would happen that the conditions of article 7.2 of REACH Regulation are met, AGC Glass Europe would notify the Agency accordingly.

Articles are not entitled to be supplied together with a Safety Data Sheet, so this also applies to BIGD products.

### 3. Restrictions under REACH Regulation

Annex XVII of REACH Regulation contains the list of restricted substances, specifying which uses are restricted. AGC Glass Europe takes great care to comply with those restrictions, according to article 67.

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