MSDS STATEMENT

Anti-Corrosion Tape

Requirement for Safety Data Sheets – note to customers

The requirement to issue Safety Data Sheets (SDS) within the EU is required by the REACH Regulations (1907/2006/EC).
Article 31 requires the issuing of SDS for all 'substances', most 'preparations' but not for 'articles'.

Empire Tapes Plc follows the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) 'Guidance on requirements for substances in articles' (Version3 – Dec 2015) in determining which category our products fall and whether SDS are required.

Paragraph 3(3) of the REACH Regulations defines an article as 'an object which during production is given a special shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than its chemical composition'. Appendix 1 of the ECHA Guidance gives examples of types of adhesive tapes, concluding that most tapes within the Empire Tapes Plc range are defined as 'articles'.

Based on this guidance, we are not required to issue SDS for the majority of our products. Where there is a requirement (transfer tapes, super glue, white tack etc.) we will continue to issue SDS.