



PFAS/PFOS/PTFE restrictions from 2026

Dear customer,

There is currently a procedure of the ECHA (European Chemicals Agency) regarding the examination of a possible ban on materials containing PFAS (perfluorinated and polyfluorinated chemicals) and PFOS (perfluorooctane sulfonic acid).

We ourselves do not use PFASs and PFOSs in the production and further processing of our own products.

Some of the traded products we offer contain, among other things, polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE), which belongs to the fluoropolymers, which in turn are classified as perfluorinated and polyfluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS). All PTFE-containing articles offered by us are marked as such in the description of the article. Fluoropolymers consist of a carbon chain with directly attached fluorine atoms. This makes them so stable that they cannot decompose into toxic substances.

Materials with PTFE are according to the OECD "products of low concern", non-toxic and non-bioaccumulative, i.e. they cannot accumulate in organisms. No traces of more than 100 of the most critical PFAS compounds could be detected. Should PTFE not be banned, articles (with components) made of PTFE are generally not affected.

Should there be any changes in the above-mentioned examination relevant for the products we offer we will of course inform you.

Notice:

The presence of omnipresent traces of undesirable substances can never be excluded. Please note that responsibility for products made from or with our products and their conformity with the requirements of applicable legal lies with the customer. Our confirmation does not release you from your own duty of care.

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