



Consumer products

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## EU POPs Regulation proposes to add a new restricted substance

On May 30, 2024, the European Union released a draft amendment to the POPs Regulation, proposing to add restriction requirements for methoxychlor to the regulation. The consultation period for this draft is from May 30, 2024, to June 27, 2024, during which stakeholders can provide feedback. The main content of the draft is as follows:

In Part A of Annex I of the POPs Regulation, the following entry is added:

Substance	CAS No	EC No	Specific exemption on intermediate use or other specification
Methoxychlor 'Methoxychlor' refers to any possible isomer of dimethoxydiphenyltrichloroethane or any combination thereof.	72-43-5 30667-99-3 76733-77-2 255065-25-9 255065-26-0 59424-81-6 1348358-72-4 and others	200-779-9	For the purposes of this entry, Article 4(1), point (b), shall apply to concentrations of methoxychlor equal to or below 0,01 mg/kg (0,000001 % by weight) where they are present in substances, mixtures or articles.

Original link:

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13886-Per-sistent-organic-pollutants-methoxychlor\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13886-Per-sistent-organic-pollutants-methoxychlor_en)

### HCT SOLUTION:

Methoxychlor is primarily used as an organochlorine pesticide and is most likely to be present in end products made from natural plant materials such as cotton, linen, and paper. Relevant businesses that produce or use these materials should pay close attention to whether these materials comply with the requirements of this draft regulation to ensure their products are legal and compliant.

