



## Declaration of Conformity to the EuPIA Charter

The EuPIA Exclusion Policy, first established in 1996, was created to ensure that certain hazardous raw materials are not intentionally used in printing inks and related products. Over the past decades, the regulatory landscape has evolved significantly, especially through the REACH framework which made toxicological data publicly available. These developments now enable a more comprehensive and science-based understanding of chemical hazards and risks.

The new **EuPIA Charter** builds on this foundation. While substances with *non-threshold effects* (e.g., genotoxic carcinogens) will continue to be subject to full phase-out, substances with *threshold-based effects* (e.g., reproductive toxicity, STOT repeated exposure) are now assessed through a structured **risk assessment process** in case no better alternative can be found. This approach is fully aligned with internationally recognized scientific methodologies and regulatory practices. It avoids arbitrary phase-outs and ensures that safe levels are determined based on exposure scenarios for production workers, converters, and consumers.

Group 1 Substances (non-threshold)	Group 2 Substances (threshold)
Genotoxic Carcinogens or Mutagens Cat. 1A & 1B [H350, H340]	Non-Genotoxic Carcinogens Cat. 1A & 1B [H350]
Acute Toxicity Cat. 1 & 2 & 3 [H300, H301, H310, H311, H330, H331]	Toxic to Reproduction Cat. 1A & 1B [H360]
STOT Single Exposure Cat. 1 [H370]	STOT Repeated Exposure Cat. 1 [H372]
	Endocrine Disruptor for Human Health Cat. 1 [EUH380]

Key principles of the EuPIA Charter include:

- **Maintaining high safety standards** by continuing to phase out all substances with non-threshold effects.
- **Ensuring science-based decisions** by applying risk assessments to substances with threshold effects.
- **Using internationally recognized methods** to derive safe exposure thresholds and uncertainty factors.
- **Improving transparency and consistency** through clear guidance, structured evaluation processes, and communication across the value chain.
- **Enhancing safety** by avoiding replacements with poorly studied alternatives, which can inadvertently increase risk.

**The Charter** has been launched and is coordinated by EuPIA; however, it is a voluntary initiative and **individual companies can commit to it for operations in Europe**. For better transparency, the list of companies is publicly available: <https://www.eupia.org/our-commitment/eupia-charter-for-printing-inks-and-related-products/>. Siegwirk is one of the committing companies.



**Siegwerk fully supports the EuPIA Charter** as outlined in the Selection Criteria and the Annexes. All Siegwerk products are consistently formulated worldwide to comply with the principles of the Charter.

Siegwerk remains committed to providing inks, coatings and related products that meet the highest levels of safety and regulatory conformity.

The information in this document reflects Siegwerk's policy and commitments. This statement is valid without signature.