

Questions and answers on VOSS environmental policy As of April 2011



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Operational environmental protection at VOSS

Has VOSS set up an environmental management system?

The existing environmental management system was established in accordance with the principles of DIN ISO 14001 and applies to the entire VOSS Group Germany. Initial certification took place in 2003. The plants in Poland and Brazil are also certified in accordance with DIN ISO 14001.

How are objectives established?

The objectives of environmental protection are carried out newly each year. The measures and resources required for the implementation of the objectives are defined in an environmental program. Environmental protection is an integral part of product and site development.

Is there a contingency plan in place?

A contingency plan and hazard-control plan has been prepared in accordance with the responsible authority and the local fire department. The focus lies on the responsibility for environmental safety and supply security.

How has the company implemented the End-of-Life Vehicle Directive?

VOSS has built a new electroplating shop. Products are surface treated in state of the art facilities. The environmentally friendly process works without the use of hexavalent Chromium containing materials. With the highest possible product quality, demanding environmental standards are met.

Are your packaging materials recyclable?

Packaging films as well as shipping boxes are recyclable and comply with the environmental requirements prescribed. If it conforms to the delivery request of the customer, reusable packaging is used.



REACH/IMDS

What role does the VOSS Group play in the supply chain under REACH?

The VOSS Group (VOSS Automotive GmbH and VOSS Fluid GmbH) has in accordance with REACH taken over the role of "downstream users", since VOSS does not import or manufacture any preparations or substances in terms of the REACH regulation outside the EEA.

What obligations does the VOSS Group have in accordance with the REACH regulation?

In accordance with §33 paragraph 2 of the regulation, the VOSS Group must comply with the requirements of SVHCs (Substance of Very High Concern) which obliges the supplier to identify the presence of any SVHCs which are present in amounts greater than 0.1% weight.

Where can I send further questions about REACH?

The REACH officer will assist you with any questions you may have. E-mail contact: reach@voss.de

What does IMDS stand for and what legal requirements are behind it?

IMDS stands for "International Material Data System" and was formed under the European Union End-of-Life Vehicles Directive 2000/53/EC by the automotive industry. In the IMDS, all items, materials and substances used by the supplier within the finished manufactured vehicle need to be entered into the system.

What is the IMDS Company ID of VOSS?

The IMDS Company ID of VOSS Fluid GmbH and VOSS Automotive GmbH is 1247.

Where can I send further questions about IMDS?

The IMDS officer will assist you with any questions you may have. E-mail contact: imds@voss.de



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