

Concentration cut-offs for disregarding substances in mixture classification

Find the applicable cut-off concentration per hazard class/category in the table below. Please note: There are some substances with a substance-specific cut-off value < 0.1%. These substances are to be treated case by case, and always require an in-depth assessment. The same may apply to substances with identified hazards, for which however classification criteria do not exist.

Hazard class and category	Concentration cut off %
Acute toxicity, category 1, 2 and 3	≥ 0,1
Acute toxicity, category 4	≥ 1
Skin corrosion/irritation, category 1, categories 1A, 1B, 1C and category 2	≥ 1
Serious damage to eyes/eye irritation, category 1 and 2	≥ 1
Respiratory sensitiser category 1 or category 1B	≥ 1
Respiratory sensitiser category 1A	≥ 0.1
Skin sensitiser category 1 or category 1B	≥ 1
Skin sensitiser category 1A	≥ 0.1
Germ cell mutagenicity category 1A and 1B	≥ 0,1
Germ cell mutagenicity category 2	≥ 1
Carcinogenicity category 1A, 1B and 2	≥ 0,1
Reproductive toxicity, category 1A, 1B, 2 and effects on or via lactation	≥ 0,1
Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - single exposure, category 1, 2 and 3	≥ 1
Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - repeated exposure, category 1 and 2	≥ 1
Aspiration toxicity	≥ 1
Hazardous to the aquatic environment – Acute, category 1	≥ 0,1/M-Factor
Hazardous to the aquatic environment – Chronic, category 1	≥ 0,1/M-Factor
Hazardous to the aquatic environment – Chronic, category 2, 3 and 4	≥ 1
Hazardous for the ozone layer	≥ 0,1

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Explanation on the origin of the table: The table is copied (with some modification regarding sensitisers and aquatic category 1 toxicants) from REACH Annex II point 3.2.1, which states: For a mixture meeting the criteria for classification in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, the following substances (see also Table 1.1) shall be indicated. The table refers to the concentrations above which an ingredient-substance must be taken into account for a mixture classification and safety data provision on request (see specifications referring 1272/2008 under **REACH** Regulation (EC) No point 3.2.1 of **Note 1**: For sensitisers, the table has been modified regarding the cut-offs addressing elicitation. As not directly related to mixture classification, these cut-offs have been removed. The table has been also modified regarding environmental category 1 hazards, for which the M-factor must be applied to determine a substance-specific cut-off.

Note 2: for any substance classified for the environment as 'Acute Category 1' or 'Chronic Category 1', 0.1% is to be divided by the M-Factor to determine the substance-specific cut-off.