

## Statement on REACH SVHC

**This Statement is in response to chemicals that have been recently submitted by ECHA (European Chemical Agency) for the SVHC list found in REACH Annex XIV.**

**The [PermaWick Company](#) makes every effort to produce environmentally responsible products. Substances of very high concern (SVHC) are defined in article 57 of regulation (EC) N°1907/2006 (“**the REACH Regulation**”). All of our lubricants today are free of substances appearing on the SVHC list.**

### **Explanation of SVHC**

Substances of very High Concern (SVHC)-Chemicals which cause severe health or environmental problems are candidates which need authorization before use. The effects of these substances are very serious and often irreversible. SVHC are:

1. Carcinogens, Mutagens and substances toxic to reproduction (CMR category 1 and 2)
2. Persistent, Bio-accumulative and Toxic (PBTs) substances as set out in REACH Annex XIII
3. Very persistent and very Bio-accumulative (vPvBs) substances as set out in REACH Annex XIII
4. Any other substance backed by scientific evidence as being equally dangerous to human health or environment (e.g. endocrine disruptors)

Before authorization is required, the substance must be included on REACH Annex XIV. Manufacturers must obtain authorization to make, import and use SVHC.

**All PermaWick products sold do not contain any of the substances currently on the SVHC list including those recently added**

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