Mexichem. Specialty Compounds

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About Mexichem and the Compounds Business Group

Plasticizers Utilized

PHTHALATE PHTHERAPY

Alternatives, Challenges, Considerations

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Annual revenue of US \$7.2 billion Sales in more than 100 countries Operations in 41 countries Over 22,000 employees 137 production facilities2 fluorite mines8 training academies18 R&D laboratories



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About our Specialty Compounds organization



The Specialty Compounds group operates from five (5) locations





We offer a broad portfolio of materials to our customers...

PVC compounds

general purpose regulated FDA, EU specialty FR

TPE compounds

general purpose regulated FDA, EU specialty industrial

LSHF compounds

general purpose regulated FDA, EU specialty industrial

TPU compounds

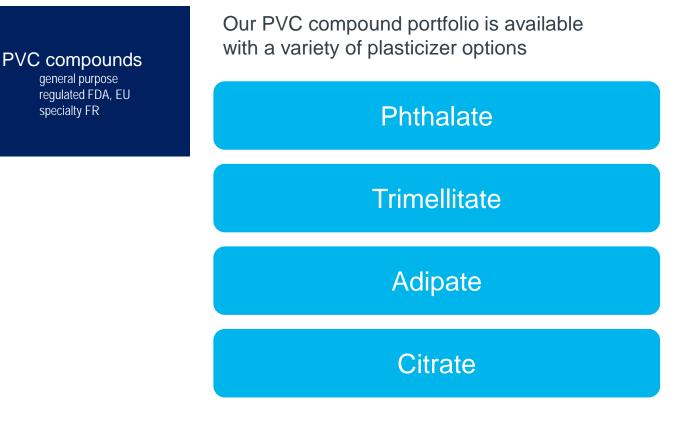
regulated specialty industrial

CPE, PP compounds specialty industrial

EVA compounds regulated



... specifically designed for the markets we serve **mexichem**.



The variety we offer underlines our commitment to SOLUTIONS

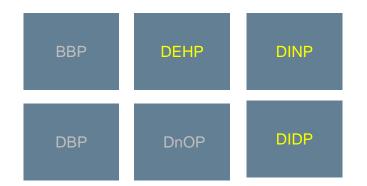


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Phthalate

Phthalate plasticizers continue to be the most popular based on cost and performance



But several have become reportable

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Over the years, we have progressed in our conversations with customers and internal stakeholders, helping to understand the definitions of the available phthalate plasticizers:

DEHP-free Phthalate-free

Non-phthalate

Non-ortho phthalate



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The word PHTHALATE seems to be popping up everywhere. Manufacturers are increasingly alerting us to the absence of phthalates by making declarations on store posters, product packaging and merchandise labels. In our marketplace, there are reporting requirements from the EU/US toy industries, RoHS, REACH and Prop 65. We provide this information on our Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and we work hard to stay current with ever-evolving industry standards.

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What are PHTHALATES?

Phthalates are substances (also called plasticizors) added to plastics to increase their flexibility. Phthalates are used in hundreds of products from garden hoses and vinyl flooring to medical tubing and blood-storage containers. You will also find them in personal care products such as scaps and shampoos as well as adhesives, detergents and lubricating oils.

December 2017 status of reporting requirements		
EU / US toy industry six (6) restricted phihalates	BBP, DEHP, DINP, DBP, DNOP, DIDP	
RoHS restricted phthalates	BBR DEHR DBP, DIBP	
Relevant REACH restricted phthalales	BBP, DEHP, DBP, DIBP	
Prop 65 phihaiales requiring labeling	BBR DEHR DINR DBR DIDP	

In the spirit of choosing compounds that comply with regulatory provisions, we are often asked for "DEHP-free" or "non-phthalate" or "phthalate-free" compounds. We have found that these terms are often used interchangeably which can cause confusion. To avoid confusion, here is our transparent NEW terminology:

Old Terminology	NEW Terminology
DEHP-free	Formulailed without DEHP
Non-Phihalale	Formulated without BBP, DBP, DEHP, DNOP, DINP, DIDP, DIBP
Philhalale-Free	Formulated without phthalate plasticizers
	SUPERKLEEN series is formulated with a bio based plasticizer

Over the next few months, our literature and website will be updated to reflect these changes. We are happy to answer any questions and provide further clarification as needed to ensure the products our customers are purchasing address the regulatory standards of their particular marketplace.

Our Manufacturing Sites:

Mexichem Specialty Compounds Goa, India (2018) Massachusetts, USA North Carolina, USA Leicestershire, UK Derbyshire, UK

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Alternative offerings have included

- 1) Non-reportable phthalate plasticizers
- 2) Plasticizers that are not in the phthalate family
- 3) Compounds that do not contain plasticizer



The challenges our customers face:

- Performance difference, in some cases
- Cost difference
- Specifying requirements

We recognize these challenges to be our opportunity to provide SOLUTIONS

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Alternative SOLUTIONS

- Linear phthalates
- Terephthalates
- Trimellitate
- Adipate
- Bio-based

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Economic Considerations

Going toward a completely "phthalate-free" system has consequences

As alternatives to 'traditional' plasticizers are chosen, costs can significantly increase

Additionally, depending on the application, performance can suffer

The balance of cost and performance

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