

bluesign® system black limits (BSBL)

Threshold limit values for chemical substances in chemical products

CHANGES 2024

Version 6.0, 01 July 2024 – compared to Version 5.0, 01 July 2023







Purpose

This document provides an overview of the changes in BSBL version 6.0 compared to version 5.0. Changes are marked in red.

Validity of BSBL 6.0

BSBL 6.0 comes into force on 01 July 2024.

It replaces the bluesign® system black list (BSBL) version 5.0 from 01 July 2023.

For all bluesign® SYSTEM PARTNERS: Unless otherwise stated, the revised sections will be implemented by 01 July 2025 at the latest.

Threshold Limit Values

Other Chemical Substances							
Chemical Name	CAS Number	Sector of Use	Limit Type	Value	Unit	Comment	
Azobenzene	103-33-3, 17082-12-1	All	Usage ban	100	mg/kg	Second CAS number added.	
Azodicarbonamide (ADCA)	123-77-3	AII	Usage ban	1000	mg/kg	Added comment: Not allowed for bluesign® APPROVED chemicals, however the usage on-site is tolerated, if no feasible alternative for foaming is available. Proof that consumer safety limit for ADCA is kept via finished article testing (e.g. footwear sole).	

PFAS (Poly- and perfluoroalkyl substances)								
Chemical Name	CAS Number	Sector of Use	Limit Type	Value	Unit	Comment		
Potassium perfluoroheptanoate	21049-36-5	All	Usage ban	2000	μg/kg	New substance. Group limit of Perfluoroheptanoic acid and its salts. Listed in Annex.		





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Chemical Name	CAS Number	Sector of Use	Limit Type	Value	Unit	Comment
Reaction mass of 2,2,3,3,5,5,6,6-octafluoro-4-(1,1,1,2,3,3,3-heptafluoropropan-2-yl)morpholine and 2,2,3,3,5,5,6,6-octafluoro-4-(heptafluoropropyl)morpholine	- (EC No. 473- 390-7)	All	Usage ban	100	μg/kg	New substance.
Silver(1+) perfluorooctanoate	335-93-3	All	Usage ban	25	μg/kg	New substance listed in Annex. Group limit of Perfluorooctanoic acid and its salts.
Tridecafluoro-N-methylhexanesulphonamide	68259-15-4	All	Usage ban	100	μg/kg	New substance listed in Annex. Group limit of Perfluorohexane sulfonic acid and its derivatives.
3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,1 0,10-Heptadecafluoro-1- decanesulfonic acid	39108-34-4	All	Usage ban	100	μg/kg	New substances listed in Annex.
1-Dodecanesulfonic acid, 3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,1 0,11,11,12,12,12- heneicosafluoro-	120226-60-0	All	Usage ban	100	μg/kg	Group limit of Perfluoroalkyl sulfonic acid and its salts - F(CF2)n [n>8].
3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,1 0,10- Heptadecafluorodecanoic acid	27854-31-5	All	Usage ban	25	μg/kg	New substances listed in
2,2,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,8,8,8- Tridecafluoro-3,7- bis(trifluoromethyl)octanoic acid	172155-07-6	All	Usage ban	25	μg/kg	Annex. Group limit of Perfluorocarboxylic acids (C9-C14) and its salts.
4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11 ,11,11- Heptadecafluoroundecanoic acid	34598-33-9	All	Usage ban	25	μg/kg	
2-Propenoic acid, 3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,1 0,10-heptadecafluorodecyl ester	27905-45-9	All	Usage ban	1000	μg/kg	New substances listed in Annex.
2-Propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,1 0,10-heptadecafluorodecyl ester	1996-88-9	All	Usage ban	1000	μg/kg	Group limit of Perfluorooctanoic acid related substances.





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2-Propenoic acid, 3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,1 0,11,11,12,12,12- heneicosafluorododecyl ester	17741-60-5	All	Usage ban	260	μg/kg		
2-Propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8,9,9,10,1 0,11,11,12,12,12- heneicosafluorododecyl ester	2144-54-9	All	Usage ban	260	μg/kg	New substances listed in Annex. Group limit of	
Perfluorododecylethanol	39239-77-5	All	Usage ban	260	μg/kg	Perfluorocarboxylic acid	
Dodecane, 1,1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8 ,9,9,10,10-heneicosafluoro- 12-iodo-	2043-54-1	All	Usage ban	260	μg/kg	(C9-C14) related substances.	
Tetradecane, 1,1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8 ,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12- pentacosafluoro-14-iodo-	30046-31-2	All	Usage ban	260	μg/kg		

Substances with usage restrictions but no consumer safety limits							
Chemical Name	CAS Number	Sector of Use	Limit Type	Value	Unit	Comment	
Ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid (EDTA), tetrasodium salt	64-02-8 10378-23-1		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	EDTA and its salts.	
Ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid (EDTA), disodium salt	139-33-3 6381-92-6		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	Change of limit type from Usage Restriction to Monitoring.	
Trisodium hydrogen ethylenediaminetetraacetate	150-38-9		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	Minimization requirement	
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid dipotassium salt	2001-94-7 25102-12-9	All	Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	for all uses with exception of use as water softener in freshwater and process	
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid magnesium disodium salt	14402-88-1		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	water preparation. Usage ban for use as water	
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid tetraammonium salt	22473-78-5		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	softener in freshwater and process water preparation. Verification via input stream management.	
Diethylenetriaminepentaace tic acid	67-43-6		Usage ban	1000	mg/kg	DTPA and its salts.	
Diethylene triamine pentaacetic acid (DTPA), sodium salt	140-01-2		Usage ban	1000	mg/kg	Change from usage restriction to usage ban, no exceptions allowed.	





Substances with usage restrictions but no consumer safety limits							
Chemical Name	CAS Number	Sector of Use	Limit Type	Value	Unit	Comment	
Amino, tris(methylene phosphonic acid)	6419-19-8		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	Phosphonates and salts.	
Diethylenetriaminepenta(methylenephosphonic acid)	15827-60-8		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	Change of limit type from Usage Restriction to Monitoring.	
Diethylenetriaminepenta(methylenephosphonic acid) sodium salt	22042-96-2		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	Minimization requirement for all uses with exception	
Ethylenediaminetetra(met hylenephosphonic acid)	1429-50-1	All	Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	of use as water softener in freshwater and process	
1-Hydroxyethane-1,1- diphosphonic acid	2809-21-4		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	water preparation.	
1-Hydroxyethane-1,1- diphosphonic acid sodium salts	7414-83-7 29329-71-3		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	Usage ban for use as water softener in freshwater and process water preparation.	
1-Hydroxyethane-1,1- diphosphonic acid potassium salt	67953-76-8		Monitoring	1000	mg/kg	Verification via input stream management	

UV stabilizers							
Chemical Name	CAS Number	Sector of Use	Limit Type	Value	Unit	Comment	
UV-326	3896-11-5	All	Usage ban	1000	mg/kg	New substances.	
UV-329	3147-75-9			1000	mg/kg		
UV-320	3846-71-7	All	All Usage ban	1000	mg/kg		
UV-327	3864-99-1			1000	mg/kg	Changed limit from 300	
UV-328	25973-55-1			1000	mg/kg	mg/kg.	
UV-350	36437-37-3			1000	mg/kg		

Revised test methods

Substances	CAS Number	Revision	Comment	
Bisphenol A	80-05-7			
Bisphenol AF	1478-61-1			
Bisphenol B	77-40-7	Methanol or Methanol: Tetrahydrofuran (1:1) Extraction followed by LC-MS, LC-MS/MS or LC-PDA.	Changed test method.	
Bisphenol F	620-92-8			
Bisphenol S	80-09-1			
2-pyrrolidone	616-45-5	LC- MS	Changed test method.	





Major changes in other chapters of the BSBL

Created subchapters '6.1 PFAS phase-out' and subchapter '6.2 ETAD listed metals'. Important amendment in subchapter '6.1 PFAS phase-out':

• Certain dyestuff with a CF3 group that formally fall under the PFAS definition and that were still listed in the bluesign® FINDER is subject to fast-track phase out. By 1st of July 2024 affected chemical products are removed from the bluesign® FINDER.