

# Mixtures Classification for Health Hazards: **Skin Corrosion / Irritation** **Serious Eye Damage / Eye Irritation**

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# Hierarchy of hazard information for mixtures CLP-Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Art. 9:

- 1. Test data for the mixture
- III. 2. Expert judgement / Weight of evidence approach
- II. 3. Bridging principles
- I. 4. Calculation method/ Concentration limits  
(Annex I, parts 3 and 4)



**Order in the  
presentation**

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# Calculation Method

CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Annex I

Part 3.2: Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Part 3.3: Eye Damage / Irritation



**GHS05**  
**Danger**



**GHS07**  
**Warning**

# Mixtures with $\text{pH} \leq 2$ or $\geq 11,5$

ECHA: „Guidance on the application of the CLP criteria“

[http://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/13562/clp\\_en.pdf](http://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/13562/clp_en.pdf) (Nov. 2013)

## 3.2.3.2.1.1

- **General rule:** mixtures with a pH of  $\leq 2$  or  $\geq 11.5$  should be considered as corrosive.

- **But:**





1) Consideration of the buffering capacity of the mixture (acid or alkali reserve; method of YOUNG et al.)

- If the result is “irritant” or “not irritant”, it shall be confirmed by an in vitro testing

- Classification according to in vitro testing; **no in-vivo testing**





2) If the only corrosive/irritant ingredient present in the mixture is an acid or base with an assigned SCL (either in CLP Annex VI or set by supplier), then the mixture should be classified according to the SCL.

# Corrosive or irritant effects on skin, e. g. mixture contains R34/Skin Cat. 1B substance

Labelling of the preparation (DPD: 1999/45/EC)	Scale	Labelling of the mixture (GHS, CLP-Regulation)
<b>Triggering content</b> , symbol, <b>hazard indication</b> , risk phrase	%	<b>Triggering content</b> , pictogram, <b>SIGNAL WORD</b> , Hazard statement
$\geq 10 \%$ , „Corrosive“, „Causes burns“ 	10 - 100	$\geq 5 \%$ <b>DANGER</b> , (Cat.1); „Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.“ 
$\geq 5$ to $< 10 \%$ , „Irritant“ „Irritating to skin“ 	5 - 10	
0 to $< 5 \%$ : no labelling	1 - 5	$\geq 1 \%$ to $< 5 \%$ <b>WARNING</b> , (Cat. 2); „Causes skin irritation“ 
	0 - 1	0 to 1 %: no labelling

# Corrosive or irritant effects on eyes

e. g. mixture contains R41/Eye Cat. 1 substance

Labelling of the preparation (DPD: 1999/45/EC)	Scale	Labelling of the mixture (GHS)
Triggering content, symbol, <i>hazard indication</i> , risk phrase	%	Triggering content, pictogram, <b>SIGNAL                      WORD</b> , Hazard statement
≥ 10 %, „ <i>Irritant</i> “ „Risk of serious damage to eyes.“ 	10 – 100	≥ 3 % <b>DANGER</b> , (Eye Cat. 1) „Causes serious eye damage“ 
≥ 5 to < 10 %, „ <i>Irritant</i> “ „Irritating to eyes“ 	5 – 10	
<b>0 to &lt; 5 %: no labelling</b>	3 – 5	≥ 1 to < 3 % <b>WARNING</b> (Eye Cat. 2) „Causes serious eye irritation“ 
	1 – 3	
	<b>0 – 1</b>	<b>0 to &lt; 1 %: no labelling</b>

# GHS: Impact on different detergent product categories



corrosive



non corrosive

## Drain cleaners



## Heavy Duty Detergents



## Liquid Detergents



## Special Cleaners



## Toilet cleaners



## Manual Dishwashing Detergents



## Automatic Dishwashing Detergents



## Softeners



## All Purpose Cleaners



## Glass Cleaners



# GHS-Concentration limits and labelling: Loss of differentiation

## DRAIN CLEANER

- Caustic
- Corrosive
- Child Resistant Closure
- Special Periodic Use



## HAND DISHWASH DETERGENT

- No Effects in Use
- Used Every Day
- Left by Sink



LABELLING

TODAY



Corrosive



Irritant

Classification by calculation:



**Danger**  
Skin Category 1

Classification by calculation:



**Danger**  
Eye Category 1

DPD (1999/45/EC)

CLP (EC)  
No 1272/2008



# Bridging principles (Annex I, Part 1.1.3) for Health and Environmental Hazards

- Mixture itself is not tested
- Sufficient data available for similar tested mixtures and for hazardous ingredients

## **Bridging principles for skin/eye irritation, corrosion, damage:**

- Dilution (1.1.3.1)
- Interpolation (1.1.3.4)
- Substantially similar mixtures (1.1.3.5)
- Permitted variations (1.1.3.6), only for mixtures classified as hazardous

# Bridging Principle 1.1.3.1 Dilution Example

<i>Ingredient</i>	<i>Content [%] in</i>	
	<i>mixture 1, tested</i>	<i>mixture 2, <u>not</u> tested</i>
Substance A (Skin Cat. 2, H315)	12,0	11,4
Substance B (Skin Cat. 2, H315)	9,0	8,5
Substance C (Skin Cat. 1B, H314)	1,0	1,0
Substance D (not classified)	78,0	74,1
Substance X (not classified)	--	5,0

**Mixture 2** may be classified for skin irritation as **Mixture 1**.

# Bridging Principle 1.1.3.4 Interpolation/ Example

	Mixture 1	Mixture 3	Mixture 2
Test result	Not irritating the skin	<b>Not tested</b>	Not irritating the skin
Substance A (Skin Cat. 2, H315)	10 %	12 %	13 %
Substance B (Skin Cat. 2, H315)	10 %	9 %	7 %
Substance C (not irritating the skin, not corrosive for skin)	15 %	12 %	11 %
Water	65 %	67 %	69 %

**Mixture 3** may be classified for skin irritation as **mixtures 1 and 2**.

# Bridging Principle 1.1.3.5

## Substantially Similar Mixtures / Example

	Mixture 1	Mixture 2
Test result	Not irritating the skin	Not tested
Substance A (Skin Cat. 2, H315)	10 %	--
Substance B (not irritating the skin, not corrosive for skin)	7 %	8%
Substance C (Skin Cat. 2, H315)	--	10 %
Water	83 %	82 %

**Mixture 2** may be classified for skin irritation as **mixture 1**.

# Bridging Principle 1.1.3.6

## Permitted Variations of Mixtures

**Article 15:** Review of classification for mixtures

**Paragraph 2:** change to a **hazardous mixture**, of

**Letter a:** one or more of the hazardous constituents in concentrations at or above the limits in Table 1.2 of Part 1 of Annex I:

Initial concentration range of the constituent	Permitted variation in its initial concentration
$\leq 2,5 \%$	$\pm 30 \%$
$2,5 \% < C \leq 10 \%$	$\pm 20 \%$
$10 \% < C \leq 25 \%$	$\pm 10 \%$
$25 \% < C \leq 100 \%$	$\pm 5 \%$

# Bridging Principle 1.1.3.6

## Permitted Variations of Mixtures / Example

	Mixture 1	Mixture 2: <i>possible variations</i>
Test result	Skin Cat. 2	Not tested
Substance A Skin Cat. 2, H315	10 %	Range: $\pm 10 \%$ i.e: <b>9 % bis 11 %</b>
Substance B Skin Cat. 2, H315	9 %	Range: $\pm 20 \%$ i.e.: <b>7,2 % bis 10,8 %</b>
Substance C Not irritating, not corrosive	7 %	} Not to be considered, as ingredients are not hazardous.
Water	74 %	

If content of substance A between 9 % and 11 %,  
and of substance B between 7,2 % and 10,8 %,   
then the Mixture 2 may be classified as Skin Cat. 2.

# Weight of evidence approach

## Expert judgement

Expert judgement

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Application of  
bridging  
principles

# Weight of evidence approach

## REACH Annex XI, Nr. 1.2

- sufficient weight of evidence from several independent sources of information
- leading to the assumption/conclusion that a substance has or has not a particular dangerous property,
- while the information from each single source alone is regarded insufficient to support this notion.

### Consequences:

- to omit further testing on vertebrate animals for that property,
- further testing not involving vertebrate animals may be omitted.
- adequate and reliable documentation shall be provided.



# Expert Judgement, Weight of Evidence (CLP, Annex. I, No 1.1.1.1)

## ***Where***

- the criteria cannot be applied directly to available identified information,

## **or**

- for the mixture itself no or insufficient test data are available

## **then**

- the weight of evidence determination using expert judgment shall be applied in accordance with Article 9(3) or 9(4) respectively.

# Weight of evidence determination, CLP, Annex I, 1.1.1.3

- All available information bearing on the determination of hazard is considered together, e. g.
  - results of suitable in vitro tests,
  - relevant animal data,
  - ...
  - human experience such as occupational data and data from accident databases, epidemiological and clinical studies and well documented case reports and observations.
- The quality and consistency of the data shall be given appropriate weight.
- Both positive and negative results shall be assembled together in a single weight of evidence determination

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Detergent Industry Network for CLP Classification

## Welcome

### ▶ What is it ?

DetNet, the Detergent Industry Network for CLP Classification, is a collective industry approach developed and piloted by A.I.S.E. and its network of National Associations, in dialogue with stakeholders, to classify and label detergent and cleaning products for skin and eye effects.

### ▶ Principles

- ▶ Open to all companies from the sector
- ▶ Sharing of skin and eye toxicology data on formulations
- ▶ Classification performed by experts
- ▶ Secure web-based tool enabling access to data
- ▶ Sector classification explanatory notes

### ▶ 5 Reasons to join

- ▶ Access to shared industry data
- ▶ Appropriate skin/eye hazard labels on your products
- ▶ Cost-effective and convenient
- ▶ Expertise and support
- ▶ Consistent industry communication

# Basis:

## CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex I

### **No 1.1.0. Cooperation to meet the requirements in this Regulation**

- ***Suppliers in an industry sector may cooperate through formation of a network ... to share data and expertise when classifying substances and mixtures in accordance with Title II of this Regulation. ...***
- ***Where suppliers in an industry sector cooperate in this way, each supplier shall remain fully responsible for the classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures he places on the market, and for meeting any other requirements of this Regulation.***

## **DetNet: Detergents Industry Network**

- Industry approach for classification on skin and eye effects
- For laundry detergents, hand dishwashing detergents, all purpose cleaners
- Offers about 200 tested formulations and test results
  - in vitro; „Low Volume Eye Test” (LVET), „Human Patch Test” (HPT)
- open to all companies of the sector
- Annual fee depends of turnover with laundry detergents, hand dishwashing detergents, all purpose cleaners
- Fixed fee per classification

# Classification of Mixtures: How can DetNet fit in?

1. Collect available data for the mixture (e. g. pH-value) and for its ingredients



2. Compare with tested mixtures classified as dangerous:  
Only ***permitted variations*** according to Annex I, Table 1.2?

yes

Classification



no

3. Bridging Principle ***Dilution*** applicable?

yes

Classification



no

3. Bridging principle „Dilution“ applicable?

↓ no

4. Use of A.I.S.E. DetNet



4a. Are there two reference formulations with the same classification for **interpolation**?

yes

→ Classification

↓ no

4b. Is there a **subtancially similar** reference formulation?

yes

→ Classification

↓ no

4b. Is there a substantially similar reference formulation?

↓ no

4c. Is (are) there **substantially similar** reference formulation(s), which may be used with expert judgement?

yes

Classification

↓ no

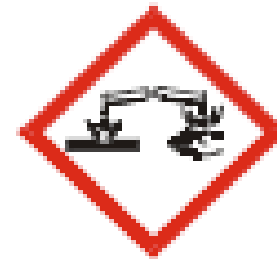
5. Run in-vitro-Testing

yes

Classification

↓ no

Classification according to calculation method





Turnover* [Mio. €]	Annual Fees [€]	
	Mmbers of A.I.S.E. and ist National Associations	Non Members
< 1	250	1.250
1 - 5	500	2.500
5 - 25	750	3.750
25 - 100	1.000	5.000
100 - 1.000	1.500	7.500
1.000 - 2.500	2.500	
> 2.500	3.500	

\* with „DetNet-Products“ in  
EU + CH, N, Island, Liechtenstein

+ Fee per classification:  
€ 90,00

Thank you for your  
attention!

# DetNet-Experts Possibilities

