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## **Brexit Customer Update**

As we approach the 1st of January 2021, and with a deal with the European Union yet to be concluded, Lankem has adopted a hybrid strategy to ensure that no supplier or customer will be adversely affected by Brexit. Lankem has a legal entity within the EU27 based in Ireland as well as a legal entity located in the UK. Depending on the outcome of the trade negotiations, we will use either company to ensure the best fit for our customers. The aim is to ensure no customer located in the European Union has the burden of extra documentation and duty to consider whilst also ensuring we comply with EU REACH.

Also, from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 UK REACH will start to apply. Lankem (UK) will carry out all the necessary notifications with HSE in accordance with the relevant deadlines. If UK or ROW customers want EU REACH compliant products, then we will ensure that we have everything in place in terms of the required registrations of either substances or monomers through Lankem Ireland.

To summarise, we confirm that we have in place plans for the following:

- Duty and paperwork compliance: with a plan to reduce the burden for EU Customers.
- EU REACH compliance for direct sales within the EU and sales into the EU for non-EU countries.
- UK REACH compliance will be taken.
- Additional stock provisions to cover demand in Q1 2021 will be put in place.

Once it becomes clear what the situation is regarding a trade deal, we will be in touch with you to advise the best trading methods to adopt with Lankem.

Yours Sincerely,

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Further Reading

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/how-to-comply-with-reach-chemical-regulations

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