## HSE-hosted UK Transition chemicals podcast

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is hosting a series of free podcasts to help businesses that make, use or supply chemicals understand what actions they need to take to ensure they are prepared for the end of the UK Transition period, when independent GB chemical regimes will be in place from 1 January 2021.

The 'After UK Transition: Working with Chemicals' podcast is now available from all major podcast platforms. To find it, just search 'The HSE Podcast' on your chosen platform. Audiences can also register to receive notifications for each episode released using <u>this link</u>.

Each episode focuses on a different chemicals regime, including Biocidal Products Regulation (BPR), Classification, Labelling and Packaging (CLP) and Prior Informed Consent (PIC) regimes, Plant Protection Products (PPP) and Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction of Chemicals (REACH).

The series will be centred around business readiness for Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs), ensuring audiences are well informed of the duties and obligations needed to comply with to access the GB market after the transition period ends.

Throughout the series, we will be joined by industry voices and experts from both HSE and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) to address the key changes to legislation and providing information on the actions required before or from 1 January 2021.

Dr Matthew Penrose, HSE's Head of Chemicals (Future Readiness) Policy, said: "The planned series of podcasts are intended to advise and inform anyone who may work with or use chemicals in their day-to-day line of business of the actions they need to take at the end of the UK Transition period.

"It could be a bigger company that produces chemicals or even a smaller business such as a metal fabricator that imports specialist powder coating products from the EU – either way they'll be affected when independent GB chemicals regimes start.

"The podcasts complement information that is already available through the HSE website, bringing them to life in a more personal format to suit the needs of the digital age HSE want to provide as much information as possible on the changes to chemicals regulations that will come into place on 1 January 2021.

"Our experts provide insights and answer questions raised by industry voices covering all five chemicals regimes, which should help any business prepare for the end of the UK Transition.

"It is imperative that businesses and individuals who make, use or supply

chemicals prepare for 1 Jan. If they don't, they could face issues with products they use in everyday work."

The first episode, focusing on Plant Protection Products (PPP/pesticides), is available to stream or download now.

Further details regarding how to prepare your business for the end of the UK Transition can be found via the <u>HSE site</u> and <u>DEFRA site</u>.

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