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Law on Chemicals and Decree 26/2026/ND-
CP on Chemical Management and Hazardous
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CIRCULAR

PROVIDING DETAILED REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE ON CERTAIN ARTICLES OF THE LAW ON CHEMICALS AND DECREE NO. 26/2026/ND-CP OF THE GOVERNMENT PROVIDING DETAILED REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE ON CERTAIN ARTICLES OF THE LAW ON CHEMICALS REGARDING THE MANAGEMENT OF CHEMICAL-RELATED OPERATIONS AND HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS IN PRODUCTS AND GOODS

Pursuant to Law on Chemicals No. 69/2025/QH15;

Pursuant to Decree No. 26/2026/ND-CP of the Government providing detailed regulations and guidance on certain Articles of the Law on Chemicals regarding the management of chemical-related activities and hazardous chemicals in products and goods;

Pursuant to Decree No. 40/2025/ND-CP of the Government on functions, tasks, powers and organizational structure of the Ministry of Industry and Trade;

At the request of the Director of Vietnam Chemicals Agency,

The Ministry of Industry and Trade hereby promulgates a Circular providing detailed regulations and guidance on certain Articles of the Law on Chemicals and Decree No. 26/2026/ND-CP of the Government providing detailed regulations and guidance on certain Articles of the Law on Chemicals regarding the management of chemical-related activities and hazardous chemicals in products and goods.

Article 1. Adjusted scope and regulated entities**1. Regulated scope:**

This Circular provides detailed regulations and guidance on:

- a) Delegation of authority to carry out procedures for issuing, reissuing, and amending licences for manufacturing and trading, licences for manufacturing and trading of group 1 or group 2 chemicals requiring special control; issuing, reissuing, amending, and renewing licences for export and import of group 1 or group 2 chemicals requiring special control;
- b) Content and form of a safety data sheet (SDS);
- c) Logging of the manufacture, import, use, and storage of chemicals under the state management by the Ministry of Industry and Trade;
- d) Forms, deadlines, methods and procedures for creating slips, checking items and selling chemicals requiring special control in the Chemical Industry Database;
- dd) List of hazardous chemicals in products and goods that must be publicly disclosed within the management scope of the Ministry of Industry and Trade;
- e) Forms used in administrative procedures include: issuance, reissuance or amendment to the licence to import prohibited chemicals; issuance, reissuance or amendment to the licence to manufacture prohibited chemicals; plan for controlling and preventing the loss of prohibited chemicals; logbook for monitoring the manufacture, import, use, and storage of prohibited chemicals; issuance, reissuance or amendment to the licence to manufacture and trade chemicals requiring special control; issuance, reissuance, amendment and renewal of the licence to export or import chemicals requiring special control; plan for controlling and preventing the loss of chemicals requiring special control; record of purchase and sale of chemicals requiring special control; issuance, reissuance, and amendment of the Certificate of eligibility for conditional manufacturing and trading of chemicals; issuance, reissuance or amendment of the Certificate

of eligibility for providing chemical storage services; registration of new chemicals; declaration information and feedback on the declaration of imported chemicals via the Vietnam National Single Window.

- g) Forms of registration and notification of successful registration in the Chemical Industry Database;
- h) Form serving sharing of chemical management data from the Chemical Industry Database;
- i) Principles of chemical classification;
- k) Regulations on chemicals that are not permitted for use in industries and fields under the management of the Ministry of Industry and Trade;
- l) Digital transformation in state management of chemicals.

2. This Circular applies to:

This Circular applies to domestic agencies, organizations and individuals and foreign organizations and individuals performing chemical-related operations in the territory of Vietnam.

Article 2. Interpretation of terms

- 1. Group 1 chemicals requiring special control include Group 1 chemicals specified in Appendix III of Decree No. 24/2026/ND-CP.
- 2. Group 2 chemicals requiring special control include Group 2 chemicals specified in Appendix III of Decree No. 24/2026/ND-CP.

Article 3. Delegation of authority to carry out administrative procedures on chemicals under the management of the Ministry of Industry and Trade

1. The People's Committee of the province where the organization or individual has its headquarters shall:

- a) Receive applications, organize appraisals, issue, reissue or amend licences to manufacture, licences to trade, licences to manufacture and trade chemicals requiring special control for organizations engaged in the manufacturing and trading of Group 2 chemicals requiring special control, and that do not manufacture or trade Group 1 chemicals requiring special control;
- b) Receive applications, issue, reissue, amend or renew export or import licences for chemicals requiring special control for organizations or individuals exporting or importing group 2 chemicals requiring special control.

2. Vietnam Chemicals agency shall

- a) Receive applications, appraise or assess the actual conditions for procedures related to the issuance, reissuance and amendment to licences to manufacture prohibited chemicals in the industrial field; receive and appraise applications for the issuance, reissuance or amendment to licences to import prohibited chemicals under the state management of the Ministry of Industry and Trade;
- b) Receive applications, organize appraisals, issue, reissue or amend licences to manufacture, licences to trade, licences to manufacture and trade chemicals requiring special control for organizations engaged in the manufacturing and trading of Group 1 chemicals requiring special control, and organizations engaged in the manufacturing and trading of both group 1 chemicals and group 2 chemicals;
- c) Receive applications, issue, reissue, amend or renew export or import licences for group 1 chemicals requiring special control;
- d) Receive applications, organize appraisals, issue, reissue or amend Certificates of eligibility for providing chemical storage services for storage facilities required to develop a Chemical incident prevention and response plan (accidental release plan) as appraised by the Ministry of Industry and Trade;
- dd) Receive applications, organize appraisals of new chemicals;
- e) Receive declared information on imported chemicals.

Article 4. Organization of appraisals for issuing licences to manufacture, licences to trade, licences to manufacture and trade group 2 chemicals requiring special control

1. The People's Committee of the province where the headquarters is located, upon receiving an application, shall carry out the following procedures:

a) In the case where the organization conducts manufacture, trading or storage activities only in the administrative division where its headquarters are located and does not conduct manufacture, trading or storage activities in any other division:

The Provincial People's Committee shall carry out the procedures for issuing the Licence in accordance with the provisions specified in Clause 5, Article 13 of Decree No. 26/2026/ND-CP.

b) In the case where the organization conducts manufacture, trading or storage activities in the administrative division different from the division where its headquarters are located:

Within 03 working days from the date of receiving a complete and valid application, the Provincial People's Committee where the organization submitted their application is responsible for sending a copy of the application for a licence to manufacture and trade group 2 chemicals requiring special control to the People's Committee of the province where the organization's chemical manufacturing and trading facility is located to obtain their opinion.

Within 10 working days from the date of receiving the copy of the application, the People's Committee of the province where the chemical manufacturing and trading facility is located shall be responsible for inspecting the actual conditions of chemical manufacturing and trading facilities under its management and providing a written confirmation of the compliance with the prescribed conditions.

The provincial People's Committee where the organization submitted its application is responsible for reviewing, evaluating the application, and issuing a Certificate of eligibility to the organization within 03 working days from the date of receipt of the written confirmation of the compliance with the prescribed conditions from the People's Committee of the province where the chemical manufacturing and trading facility is located, and simultaneously sending it to relevant units for coordinated management. In case the licensing is rejected, the licensing authority must provide explanation in writing.

2. In the case where an organization that has already been granted a licence to manufacture and trade Group 2 chemicals requiring special control by the Provincial People's Committee which is still valid intends to manufacture and trade Group 1 chemicals requiring special control, the organization shall prepare and submit an application for issuance of a new licence to Vietnam Chemicals Agency. Vietnam Chemicals Agency shall carry out the procedures for issuing the Licence in accordance with the provisions specified in Clause 5, Article 13 of Decree No. 26/2026/ND-CP.

3. After issuing the licence, within 7 working days, the competent authority shall update the Licence in the relevant database for coordinated monitoring and management.

Article 5. Content and form of a safety data sheet (SDS)

1. A chemical safety sheet must consist of the following fundamental contents:

- a) Identification of chemical and supplier;
- b) Hazard identification;
- c) Information on composition of substances;
- d) First aid measures;
- e) Fire-fighting measures;
- f) Accidental release measures;
- g) Handling and storage requirements;
- h) Exposure control/personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements;
- i) Physical and chemical properties of chemicals;