



IMDS & Product Chemical Compliance Conference Acronym List >>>

Acronym	Definition
3TG	Shorthand for the 4 main conflict minerals: Tin, Tungsten, Tantalum, and Gold
AA	The Alternatives Assessment is a requirement in California's Safer Consumer Products legislation (Green Chemistry Initiative)
AAEF	Asian Automotive Environmental Forum
AAT	Alternatives Analysis Threshold as defined by the DTSC
ACC	American Chemical Council
ACEA	<p>The European Automobile Manufacturers Association (ACEA), represents the interests of the eighteen European car, truck and bus manufacturers at EU level. (http://www.acea.be/)</p> <p>Its membership consists of the major international automobile companies, working together in an active association to ensure effective communication and negotiation with legislative, commercial, technical, consumer, environmental and other interests. The members of ACEA are competitors in the automobile market place and support free and fair competition as a trade policy and a legal concept.</p>
ACMA	Automotive Component Manufactures Association of India
AEM	Association of Equipment Manufacturers
AFA	Application for Authorization; process to get an authorization to use a REACH Annex XIV substance in the EU
a2	The HPE IMDS based software that allows a user to work locally from their computer for processing their company IMDS MDSs, and then upload the results to IMDS. It has additional features and capabilities not available on the on line IMDS system.
AI	The IMDS "Advanced Interface" which allows in-house data systems to exchange data with IMDS
AIG	Automotive Industry Guideline
AIS	Automotive Industry Standard
AMASS	China's Automotive Material Assessment and Selection System
Annex XIV	REACH annex listing the substances requiring authorization to use in manufacturing or have in products in the EU
Annex XVII	REACH annex listing restrictions of use on substances and substance groups for manufacturing and usage in products in the EU
ANSI	American National Standards Institute

APC	American Plastics Council
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
APME	Association of Plastic Manufacturers in Europe
APSG	Automotive Process Substance Group
ARAI	Automotive Research Association of India
Article 57	REACH requirements to be included on the Annex XIV, Authorisation List
AS	Active Substance; substance or micro-organism that has an action on or against harmful organisms
ASTM	American Society of Testing and Materials
AVL	Approved Vendor List
B2B	Business to Business
BDI	The Federation of German Industries, a joint initiative of the German government and German industries
BM1-4	GreenScreen's Benchmark score for a chemical's hazards (1 is a chemical of high concern, 4 is a preferred safer chemical)
BNST	enzenamine, N-phenyl-, Styrene and 2,4,4-Trimethylpentene
BOM	Bill of Material
BP	Biocidal Product; substance or mixture containing one or more active substances, with the intention of controlling harmful organisms by means other than mere physical or mechanical action
BPD	Biocides Products Directive, superceded by the BPR
BPR	Biocidal Products Regulation
BPT	Bio-Persistence and Toxic
BSL	Basic Substance List in IMDS
BSR	A Non-Profit organization with a mission to work with business to create a just and sustainable world
BAuA	German REACH Authority
C&L	Classification and Labeling
CA	Company Administrator (In IMDS)
CAA	California Alternatives Assessment
CAD	Computer Aided Design Systems Software
CADGS	Chinese Automotive Dismantling Guide
CAI	CAMDS Advanced Interface; CAMDS interface to in-house software
California Green Chemistry	The California Green Chemistry Initiative (CGCI) is a six-part initiative to reduce public and environmental exposure to toxins through improved knowledge and regulation of chemicals.
CAMDS	China Automotive Material Data System is a product data management platform for implementing the “Recycling and Reutilization Policy of Automotive Product”, carrying out the certification of recoverability rate and prohibited/restricted substance and improving the recoverability rate of China automotive material.

Canadian Challenge	Canada's new Chemicals Management Plan. The plan takes action to regulate chemicals that are harmful to human health or the environment. A key element in the Chemicals Management Plan is the collection of information on the properties and uses of the approximately 200 chemical substances identified through the categorization process as high priorities for action. This information will be used to make decisions regarding the best approach to protect Canadians and their environment from risks these substances might pose.
CAHRA	conflict-affected and high-risk areas
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service
CAS#	Unique number assigned to a substance by CAS, (Last digit is a check sum)
CARACAL	Competent Authorities for REACH and CLP
CATARC	China Automotive Technology & Research Center was established in 1985 response to the need of the state for the management of auto industry and upon the approval of the China National Science and Technology Commission. They are the developers of the CAMDS system.
CBI	Confidential Business Information
CCC	China Compulsory Certification
CDR	Chemical Data Reporting
CDX	Compliance Data Exchange; HP's system for compliance data exchange for non-automotive industries
CEFIC	The European Chemistry Industry Council (http://www.cefic.org/) - Cefic is the forum and the voice of the chemical industry in Europe. Cefic is a committed partner to EU policymakers, facilitating dialogue with industry and sharing our broad-based expertise. They represent 29,000 large, medium and small chemical companies in Europe.
CEPA	Canada Environmental Protection Act
CETA	The Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement is a proposed free-trade agreement between Canada and the European Union
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CFS, CFSI	Conflict Free Smelter Program developed by EICC and GeSI to identify sources of conflict minerals
CG/HCCS	Coordinating Group for the Harmonization of Chemical Classification Systems
CHA	Chemical Hazard Assessment
CHAP	Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel (part of CPSC)
ChemSec	International Chemical Secretariat, a non-governmental organization based in Sweden
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States, Headquarters in Russia
CLEPA	Comité de Liaison de la Construction d'Equipements et de Pièces d'Automobiles (European Association of Automotive Suppliers) (http://www.clepa.be/)
CLH	harmonised classification and labelling
CLP	Classification, Labeling & Packaging (EU CLP Regulation)
CLRTAP	Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution
CL	Candidate List

CM	Conflict Minerals
CMD	Conflict Mineral Declaration
Conflict Mineral	The term "conflict minerals" is used to describe certain minerals such as gold, wolframite, cassiterite, columbite-tantalite and their derivative metals, which include tin, tungsten, tantalum and any other compounds designated by the U.S. Secretary of State that are sourced from mines under the control of violent forces in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) or the surrounding countries. Name has changed to Responsible Minerals initiative RMI
CM	Regardless of where the mineral originates, if it is one of the above minerals or derivatives, it is considered a Conflict Mineral and falls under the requirement.
CMDS	MDS of type Component entered into IMDS
CMP	Canadian Chemical Management Program
CMR	Conflict Mineral Report
CMRs	In REACH refers to substances that are Carcinogens, Mutagens, or Reproductive Toxins
CMWG	AIAG Conflict Mineral Work Group (all members are welcome and encouraged to participate.)
CMVR	Central Motor Vehicle Rule
CONAMA	National Environmental Council
CP	Chlorinated Paraffins
CPR	Controlled Product Regulations (Health Canada legislation)
CPSC	Consumer Product Safety Commission
CPSIA	Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act. CPSIA is administered by the US Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), which provides extensive information on compliance at www.cpsc.gov .
QQC	China Quality Certification
CR6	represents Hexavalent Chromium, a prohibited substance for plating in automotive, often represented as Cr+6 or Chromium (VI)
CR	Company Specific Regulations, as relates to the AI IMDS Chemistry Manager functionality in IMDS
CRM	Critical Raw Materials
CSA	Chemical Safety Assessment
CSA	Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act
CSL	Compliant Smelter List developed from the CFS program for reporting origin of conflict minerals
CSCL	Japan Chemical Substance Control Law
CSI	Chemical Substance Inventory
CSIA	US Chemical Safety Improvement Act
CSR	Chemical Safety Report
CVTSC	China Vehicle Technology Service Center
DB	Database
DTO	Dibutyltin oxide

DfE	Design for Environment (often used to mean design for sustainability)
Dodd - Frank	Dodd Frank Act of 2012, also known as the Conflict Mineral Provision
DOT	Department of Transportation
DPO	Data Protection Officer
DRC	Democratic Republic of Congo
DSL	Domestic Substance List,
DSLUI2	Canadian list of declarable substances, DSLUI2 refers to "Inventory Update Phase 2"
DSR	Development Sample Report
DTD	Document Type Definition; explains the format for each field in an XML stream. It is the XML equivalent of what we used to call a "record layout"
DTSC	Department of Toxic Substance Control; in California
EASC	Euro-Asian Council for Standardization, Metrology and Certification
EBOM	Engineering Bill of Materials
ECHA	Environmental Canada
ECHA	European Chemicals Agency (http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest) - ECHA is the driving force among regulatory authorities in implementing the EU's chemicals legislation for the benefit of human health and the environment as well as for innovation and competitiveness. ECHA helps companies to comply with the legislation, advances the safe use of chemicals, provides information on chemicals and addresses chemicals of concern.
EC	European Court of Justice
E/E, E&E	Electrical/Electronic
EEA	European Economic Area
EECA	European Electronic Component Manufacturers Association
EEE	Electrical & Electronic Equipment
EICC	Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition – (http://www.eicc.info/)
EICC-GeSI	Coalition between EICC and GeSI working on the Conflict Minerals reporting template and issues
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

ELV	<p>The Directive on End-of Life Vehicle 2000/53/EC was the first EU waste directive with which the EU Commission has introduced the concept of Extended Producer Responsibility. The directive aims at reduction of waste arising from end-of-life vehicles. The scope of the directive is limited to passenger cars M1 and light commercial vehicles N1. The directive covers aspects along the life cycle of a vehicle as well as aspects related to treatment operations. As such it aims at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · preventing the use of certain heavy metals such as cadmium, lead, mercury and hexavalent chromium, · collection of vehicles at suitable treatment facilities, · de-pollution of fluids and specific components, · coding and/or information on parts and components · ensuring information for consumers and treatment organizations · achieving reuse, recycling and recovery performance targets · With these targets set, the directive involves four major stakeholders, the producer, the recycling industry, the last holder and the authorities. Each has a responsibility within the realms of its unique possibility. <p>As similar legislation is introduced in other countries, it loses its EU specificity.</p>
ENCS	Existing and New Chemical Substances
eNGO	Environmental Non-governmental Organization
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPR	Environmental Pricing Reform is the process of adjusting market prices to include environmental costs and benefits
ErP	Energy-related Products, Replaces EuP for setting ecodesign requirements for energy-related products and expanded the scope from EuP.
ES	Exposure Scenarios
eSDS	Extended Safety Data Sheets
ESG	Environmental Social Governance
ESIA	European Semiconductor Industry Association
EU	European Union
EU Comm	European Union Commission
EuP	Energy-using Product, July 2005 EU framework for setting of ecodesign requirements for energy-using products. It has been superseded by ErP
FA	Formaldehyde
FAQ	Frequently Asked Questions
FCB	Flexible Circuit Boards
FCPA	Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
FDA	U.S. Food and Drug Administration

FI	Flame Inhibitors
FIFRA	Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act
FORM SD	Form "Specialized Disclosure". A company is required to disclose the use of conflict minerals on this new form, which is to be filed with the SEC.
FRB	Formaldehyde Releasing Biocide
FR	Flame Retardants
FMD	Full Material Disclosure
GADSL	<p>Global Automotive Declarable Substance List (www.gadsl.org) - The GADSL is the result of a global effort of representatives from the automotive, automotive parts supplier (tier supplier) and chemical/plastics industries who have organized the Global Automotive Stakeholders Group (GASG).</p> <p>In recent years many individual declarable substance lists were developed to exchange information regarding the material and substance composition of automotive parts. The experience gained by the above industries in using these multiple lists has shown that the declaration process could be improved upon and this was a key reason for developing a single, globally harmonized list with clear criteria and a transparent process to manage future versions of the GADSL.</p>
GASG	Global Automotive Stakeholders Group (GASG). The GASG's purpose is to facilitate communication and exchange of information regarding the use of certain substances in automotive products throughout the supply chain. The GASG is responsible for the GADSL.
GB/T 30512	Chinese standard for "Requirements for prohibited substances in automobiles"
GC3	Green Chemistry and Commerce Council
GDPR	General Data Protection Regulation
GeSI	Global e-Sustainability Initiative (http://www.gesi.org/) - GeSI brings together leading ICT companies – including telecommunications service providers and manufacturers as well as industry associations – and non-governmental organisations committed to achieving sustainability objectives through innovative technology.
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GHS	<p>The GHS (http://www.osha.gov/dsg/hazcom/ghs.html) is an acronym for The Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals. The GHS is a system for standardizing and harmonizing the classification and labelling of chemicals. It is a logical and comprehensive approach to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Defining health, physical and environmental hazards of chemicals; · Creating classification processes that use available data on chemicals for comparison with the defined hazard criteria; and · Communicating hazard information, as well as protective measures, on labels and Safety Data Sheets (SDS).
GLAPS	Global List of Automotive Process Substances

GRMS	Global Regulatory Monitoring System
GOST	A set of technical standards maintained by EASC, a regional standards organization operating under the auspices of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS).
Green Chemistry	EPA program to prevent or reduce pollution at its source. Uses LCA to insure change is an improvement
GS	GreenScreen®
GS LT	GreenScreen® List Translator; maps authoritative and screening hazard lists, including GHS country classifications, to GreenScreen hazard classifications.
HCS	Hazard Communication Standard
HDCV	Heavy Duty Commercial Vehicles
HM	Heavy Metals
HPR	Hazardous Product Regulations (Health Canada legislation)
HPT	Triazine based biocide that releases formaldehyde
IAEG	International Aerospace Environmental Group, An international association, primarily composed of aerospace and defense oriented companies, that are developing an industry approach to addressing their environmental concerns. They are the lead group in sponsoring the development of the new IPC1754 standard for substance reporting.
IARC	International Agency for the Research on Cancer
IC2	Interstate Chemicals Clearinghouse
ICT	Information and Communication Technologies
ICIER	International Conference on IMDS & ELV Regulations
IDK	I Don't Know or uncertain, used as a response on conflict mineral questionnaires.
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission, a standards development organization in Europe. (ANSI is a member of IEC)
IEC 62474	Standard developed by IEC for Material Declaration for Products of and for the Electrotechnical Industry.
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported into China
IFCS	International Forum on Chemical Safety
ILO	International Labor Organization
IMDS	International Material Data System (www.mdsystem.com) – a web application paid for by a group of automotive manufacturers that the global automotive supply chain uses to collect material content data for reporting to various legal entities.
IMDS-NT	IMDS NewTechnology, also known as IMDS release 8.0
IMDS-AI	IMDS Advanced Interface for exchanging data with inhouse systems
IMDS-A2	IMDS Advanced Accelerator, an in house software tool for processing IMDS data supplied by HP
IMDS-SC	IMDS Steering Committee
IOMC	Inter-organization Program on the Sound Management of Chemicals

IPC	Originally the Institute for Interconnecting and Packaging Electronic Circuits the name changed in 1999 to IPC. It is a global trade organization representing all facets of the industry including design, printed circuit board manufacturing and electronics assembly. It is a member-driven organization and leading source for industry standards, training, market research and public policy advocacy.
IPC-175x	IPC-175x family of standards establishes a standard XML reporting format for computer to computer data exchange between supply chain participants. IPC-1751A defines the generic requirements for declaration process management. IPC-1752A supports reporting of bulk materials, components, printed circuit boards (PCBs), sub-assemblies, and assembly declaration profiles. IPC-1753 supports reporting test data, IPC-1754 is for reporting materials and products, subassemblies and articles, targeting aerospace and defense, but being developed to be cross industry. IPC1755 supports conflict mineral reporting.
iPCMP	iPoint Conflict Mineral Platform, used to exchange conflict minerals forms and perform roll-ups
IPSA	Independent Private Sector Audit, refers to Conflict Minerals
ISO	An international organization for creating standards.
IU	Inventory Update
iTSCi	Joint industry program of traceability and due diligence designed to address concerns over conflict minerals
IUCLID	International Uniform Chemical Information Database, a database for storing, maintaining and exchanging data on intrinsic and hazard properties of chemical substances in the EU
IUPAC	International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry
JAMA	Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association, Ltd. (http://www.jama-english.jp/) is a nonprofit industry association currently comprised of fourteen manufacturers of passenger cars, trucks, buses and motorcycles in Japan.
JAPAN RoHS	Refers to the 15 ministerial ordinances that are related to the Law for the Promotion of Effective Utilization of Resources, regulating substances in electrical and electronic products
JAPIA	Japan Auto Parts Industry Association (http://www.japia.or.jp/en/)
JCIA	Japan Chemical Industry Association (http://www.jcia-net.or.jp/)
JIG list	Joint Industry Guide - a list of regulated chemicals used in the Electronics Industry - now has been replaced with IEC 6274
JIS C 0950	Marking standard under Japan RoHS
J-MOSS	the Marking for presence Of the Specific chemical Substances for electrical and electronic equipment," which is the name of Japanese Industrial Standard JIS C 0950
JRC	EC's Joint Research Center
JV	Joint Ventures
KAMA	Korean Automobile Manufacturers Association
KATRI	Korean Automobile Testing & Research Institute
KECI	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
KEMI	The Swedish Chemical Agency
LAC	Latin America and Caribbean

LCA	Life Cycle Assessment, the process to evaluate overall environmental impact of a product from cradle to grave.
LCCP	Long Chain Chlorinated Paraffin
LCPFAC	Long Chain Perfluoroalkyl Carboxylate and Perfluoroalkyl Sulfonate substances
LSCA	Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act
LSFI	Large Scale Fixed Installation
LSP	Legacy spare parts
LPC	Low persistent organic pollutant content values
MAPI	Manufactures Alliance for Productivity and Innovation
MBO	A formaldehyde releasing biocide
MBM	A formaldehyde releasing biocide
MCCP	Medium Chain Chlorinated Paraffin
LD₅₀	Lethal dose 50mg/kg (Milligram per kilogram)
MADL	Maximum Allowable Dose Level
MDS	Material Data Sheet – the common building block of the IMDS system.
METI	Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
MIIT	Chinese Ministry of Industry and Information Technology
MINAMATA	Convention on Mercury a ban on new mercury mines, the phase-out of existing ones, control measures on air emissions, and the international regulation of the informal sector for artisanal and small-scale gold mining
MMDS	Material MDS entered into IMDS
MoE	Ministry of Environment
MOLIT	Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport
MoRTH	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
MoU	Memorandum of understanding
MRP	Material Requirements Planning, a management software program
MPN	Manufacturer Part Number
MS Committee	Member States Committee (REACH)
MSDS	A Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) or internationally known as Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is intended to provide workers and emergency personnel with procedures for handling or working with that substance in a safe manner, and includes information such as physical data (melting point, boiling point, flash point, etc.), toxicity, health effects, first aid, reactivity, storage, disposal, protective equipment, and spill-handling procedures. MSDS formats can vary from source to source within a country depending on national requirements.
MWF	Metal Working Fluid
NA	North America
NA	National Associations
NACD	Nickel Allergic Contact Dermatitis

NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NAICS	North American Industry Classification System
Nanoscale	Usually refers to structures with a linked scale applicable to nano technology. Usually cited as 1 -100 nanometers. A nanometer is 1 billionth meter.
NAS	National Academy of Sciences
NASF	National Association of Surface Finishers
NATRIp	<p>National Automotive Testing and R&D Infrastructure Project (http://www.natrip.in/) – represents a unique joining of hands between the Government of India, a number of State Governments and Indian Automotive Industry to create a state of the art Testing, Validation and R&D infrastructure in the country.</p> <p>The Project aims at creating core global competencies in Automotive sector in India and facilitate seamless integration of Indian Automotive industry with the world as also to position the country prominently on the global automotive map.</p>
NEV	New Energy Vehicles
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NICNAS	National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme - Scheme by the Australian Department of Health. Assesses the risks of industrial chemicals and provides information to promote their safe use.
NOM	Norma Oficial Mexicana (Official Mexican Standard) is the name of each of a series of official, compulsory standards and regulations for diverse activities in Mexico.
NOV	Notice of violations
NRMM	Non-Road Mobile Machinery
NSRL	No Significant Risk Level
OAAAAA	Once an Article, Always an Article; the basis for the level that REACH compliance will be evaluated at for product made or shipped into the EU.
O5A	Abbreviation for "Once an Article, Always an Article", or OAAAAA
OECD	The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OEF	Organization Environmental Footprint
OEHHA	California EPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit; way to manage substances other than authorization
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturers
OFAC	Office of Foreign Assets Control
OHS-11	AIAG common approach form to report estimated Greenhouse Gas Data to OEMs
OHCL	The AIAG committee supporting IMDS and Chemical Reporting
OICA	Organisation Internationale des Constructeurs d'Automobiles

Ökopol	the Institute for Environmental Strategies formulates suitable scientific and political strategies for shaping the ecological future of today's industrial society. (http://www.oekopol.de/index_en.htm)
PAC	Partnership Africa Canada (http://www.pacweb.org/). A non-profit organization that works on many global initiatives aimed at regulating the trade of high value and conflict prone resources. Helping in the efforts to create a tracking and certification scheme for conflict minerals.
PACT	Public Activities Coordination Tool
PAH	Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon
Pb	The Periodic Table of Elements representation for Lead
PC	Process Chemical
PBB	Polybrominated Biphenyls
PBDE	Polybrominated Diphenyl Esters
PBTs	Substances which are Persistent (P), Bioaccumulative (B) and Toxic (T)
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
PCBA	Printed Circuit Board Assemblies
PEF	Product Environmental Footprint
PEG	"Partner Expert Group", the EU Stakeholder Group helping define the guidance for implementing the European Court's O5A interpretation for REACH reporting. Automotive is an active participant.
PFC	Perfluorinated Chemicals
PICCS	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
PLM	Product Lifecycle Management software
PMN	Pre-Manufacturer Notification
PFHxA	Perfluorohexanoic acid
PFOA	Perfluorooctanoic acid, also known as C8, is a synthetic perfluorinated carboxylic acid and fluorosurfactant
PFOS	Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid
POP	Persistent Organic Pollutant
POTWs	Publicly Owned Treatment Works, water purification facilities
POTM	Placed on the Market
PP	Priority Products as defined in California Green Chemistry
PPAP	Production Part Approval Process
PP-COC	Priority Products - Chemicals of Concern
PQL	Practical Quantitation Limit, the lowest concentration of a chemical that can be reliably measured within specified limits of precision and accuracy using routine lab operating procedures
PR	Public Regulations as relates to Biocide reporting, as relates to the AI regarding the IMDS Chemistry Manager
Prop 65	California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, commonly referred to as Proposition 65
PSIS	Pre-Submission Information Session

PSSA	Environment Canada "Petroleum Sector Stream Approach"
PSL	Priority Substance List
PT	Product-Type; ASs are approved for specific PTs; BPs and TAs are allowed on the market only if all the active substances concerned are approved for the relevant PTs
PWMI	Plastic Waste Management Institute (www.pwmi.or.jp) an organization in Japan
QIGA	Quasi-identical grouping approach
QSARs	Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationships
RAC	REACH Committee for Risk Assessment
RBA	Responsible Business Alliance
RCOI	Reasonable County of Origin Inquiry
REACH	<p>Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals. The purposes of REACH (as set forth in the 131 recitals of the preamble):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Establish a comprehensive and detailed database of the chemical substances in the European Community: manufactured, placed on market, imported or used · Motivate companies to develop cost-effective and safer alternatives to hazardous substances by requiring the evaluation of all substances (not just new ones) · Shift responsibility for testing and risk evaluation from government and regulatory authorities to the manufacturers or importers of the substances, producers of articles and downstream users · Establish graduated requirements for testing and risk evaluation based upon the likelihood of causing harm to human health or the environment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + i.e. increasing quantities of the substance (manufactured, imported or used) increase the likelihood of harm + i.e. substances having certain dangerous characteristics (carcinogenic, mutagenic, toxic to reproduction; persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic or very persistent and very bioaccumulative; very toxic to aquatic organisms; probable serious effects) increase the likelihood of harm · Reduce duplication of testing (especially on vertebrate animals) through mandatory information sharing, with cost sharing required in the first twelve years · Establish a mechanism for controlling or restricting the use of hazardous substances (the provisions for evaluation of substances, authorization and restrictions) · Establish an independent agency (ECHA) to manage the regulation of chemical substances <p>Several other countries are now enacting "REACH-like" regulations.</p>
REACH-IT	Central IT system that is run by ECHA to manage REACH requirements
REACH TF	REACH Task Force, The OEM committee addressing the REACH issues for our industry
REC019	The IMDS data entry recommendation addressing electronic components and assemblies

RIP-oN (RIPoN)	REACH Implementaion Project on Nanomaterials
RMI	Responsible Minerals Initiative
RMO	Risk Management Options
RMOA	Risk Management Option Analysis
RMM	Rick Management Measures
RoHS	Restriction of Hazardous Substances - On January 27, 2003, the European Parliament issued a directive “on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment.” RoHS named six hazardous substances of immediate concern: lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyls (PBB) and polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE). It also provides for the addition of other hazardous substances, as soon as scientific evidence is available.
RoHS2	See RoHS Recast, also abbreviated as RoHS 2.0
RoHS Recast	A replacement for the original RoHS EU legislation increasing scope and adding new requirements to improve on original legislation’s effectiveness
ROW	Rest of the World
RR	Regulatory Response
RR	Recovery Rate
RRR	Associated with the ELV, it refers to the Directive on the type-approval of motor vehicles with regard to their Reusability, Recyclability and Recoverability (2005/64/EC)
RSL	Restricted Substance List
RUMs	Restricted Use Materials
SAE	Society of Automotive Engineers
SC	Shorthand way of referring to the IMDS Steering Committee which is a group consisting of representatives of the automotive manufacturers that pay for the IMDS system and determine the system’s requirements and functionality.
SCCP	Short Chain Chlorinated Paraffin
SCP	Safer Consumer Products, California legislation goes into effect in October 2013
SCIL	US EPA's Safer Chemical Ingredient List
SCIP	Substance of Concern in Products
SD	Special Disclosure, as in SEC Form SD for conflict minerals reporting ot be filed by public companies
SDS	Safety Data Sheet, the GHS definded replacement for the MSDS sheets
SEA	Socio Economic Analysis
SEAC	Socio Economic Analysis Committee
SEC	Securities & exchange commission
SEMARNAT	(Mexican) Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales; Secretariat of Environment and Natural Resources

SCENIHR	Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks
SCIP	Substances of Concern in articles, as such or in complex objects Products
SiA	Substances in Articles
SIAM	Society of Indian Automotive Manufacturers
SIAP	Substance Impact Assessment Process
SIEF	Substance Information Exchange Forum
SIN List	"Substitute It Now", ChemSec's list of substances for becoming SVHCs.
SLAB	Spent Lead-Acid Batteries
SMDS	MDS of type Semi Component entered into IMDS
SME	Small and medium sized enterprises
SNUN	Significant New Use Notification
SNUR	Significant New Use Rule
SoC	Substance of Concern
SOMO	Stichting Onderzoek Multinationale Ondernemingen, the Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations.
SCOEL	"Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits", a EU scientific committee that creates exposure limits on toxic substances
SSSA	Supplier Sustainability Self Assessment
SSN(C)	Simplyfied SCIP Notification
SUAL	Supplier Alliance
SUI	Safe use information
SVHC	Substance of Very High Concern
T3G	Shorthand for the 4 main conflict minerals: Tin, Tungsten, Tantalum, and Gold (same as 3TG and 3T&G)
TA	Type Approval, as related to the ELV Directive
TA	Treated Article, as related to the Biocidal Products Regulation
TBBPA	Tetrabromobisphenol A is a brominated flame retardant.
TCCA	Korea Toxics Chemicals Control Act
TDCP	tris[2-chloro-1-(chloromethyl)ethyl] phosphate
TFHCL	Task Force on the Harmonization of Classification and Labeling
TGA	Thermo-Gravimetric Analysis, analytical process to evaluate Metal Working Fluids for Volatile Organic Compound content
TRI	Federal Toxics Release Inventory (in the US)
TSCA	The Toxic Substances Control Act is a United States law that regulates the introduction of new or already existing chemicals.
TTIP	Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership
TURI	Toxic Use Reduction Institute

TVOC	Total Volatile Organic Compounds
UVCB	Unknown or Variable compositions, Complex reaction products and Biological materials; are referred to as "UVCB substances" in TSCA
UN	United Nations
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNCETDG	United Nations Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
UNCETDG/GHS	United Nations Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
UNITAR	United Nations Institute for Training and Research
USCAR	The United States Council on Automotive Research, www.uscar.org
VDA	Verband der Automobileindustrie - German Association of the Automotive Industry (http://www.vda.de/en/index.html)
VIAQ	Vehicle Indoor Air Quality
VLCCP	Very Long Chain Chlorinated Paraffins
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
vPvB	Substances which are very Persistent (vP) and very Bioaccumulative (B)
UTC	Unintentional Trace Contaminant
UVCB	Unknown or Variable compositions, Complex reaction products and Biological materials; are referred to as "UVCB substances" in TSCA
WEEE	<p>On January 27, 2003, the European Parliament issued a directive "on Waste in Electrical and Electronic Equipment." The intent was to prevent such products from entering municipal waste collection systems through reuse, recycling and recovery of substances.</p> <p>Categories of covered equipment include large and small household appliances; IT and telecommunications equipment; consumer, toys, leisure, and sports equipment; lighting equipment; electrical and electronics tools, monitoring and control instruments, and automatic dispensers; and medical devices.</p>
WFD	Waste Framework Directive
WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System
WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development
WTO	World Trade Organization
WUA	Where Used Analysis
ZDP, ZDDP	zinc dialkyldithiophosphate
ZVEI	ZVEI - German Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association