

Amendments to Annexes A and C adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants at its seventh meeting (Decisions SC-7/12, SC-7/13 and SC-7/14)

Decision SC-7/12: Listing of hexachlorobutadiene in Annex A

The Conference of the Parties,

1. Decides to amend part I of Annex A to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants to list hexachlorobutadiene therein without specific exemptions by inserting the following row:

Chemical	Activity	Specific exemption
Hexachlorobutadiene (CAS No: 87-68-3)	Production	None
	Use	None

Decision SC-7/13: Listing of pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters in Annex A

The Conference of the Parties,

1. Decides to amend part I of Annex A to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants to list pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters therein with specific exemptions for production as allowed for the Parties listed in the Register of Specific Exemptions and for the use of pentachlorophenol for utility poles and cross-arms by inserting the following row:

Chemical	Activity	Specific exemption
Pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters	Production	As allowed for the Parties listed in the Register in accordance with the provisions of part VIII of this Annex
	Use	Pentachlorophenol for utility poles and cross-arms in accordance with the provisions of part VIII of this Annex

2. Also decides to insert a new note (vi) in part I of Annex A, as follows:
(vi) Pentachlorophenol (CAS No: 87-86-5), sodium pentachlorophenate (CAS No: 131-52-2 and 27735-64-4 (as monohydrate)) and pentachlorophenyl laurate (CAS No: 3772-94-9), when considered together with their transformation

product pentachloroanisole (CAS No: 1825-21-4), were identified as persistent organic pollutants;

- Further decides to insert a new part VIII in Annex A as follows:

Part VIII

Pentachlorophenol and its salts and esters

Each Party that has registered for the exemption pursuant to Article 4 for the production and use of pentachlorophenol for utility poles and cross-arms shall take the necessary measures to ensure that utility poles and cross-arms containing pentachlorophenol can be easily identified by labelling or other means throughout their life cycles. Articles treated with pentachlorophenol should not be reused for purposes other than those exempted.

Decision SC-7/14: Listing of polychlorinated naphthalenes in Annexes A and C

The Conference of the Parties,

- Decides to amend part I of Annex A to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants to list therein polychlorinated naphthalenes, including dichlorinated naphthalenes, trichlorinated naphthalenes, tetrachlorinated naphthalenes, pentachlorinated naphthalenes, hexachlorinated naphthalenes, heptachlorinated naphthalenes, octachlorinated naphthalene, with specific exemptions for production of those chemicals as intermediates in production of polyfluorinated naphthalenes, including octafluoronaphthalene, and the use of those chemicals for the production of polyfluorinated naphthalenes, including octafluoronaphthalene, by inserting the following row:

Chemical	Activity	Specific exemption
Polychlorinated naphthalenes, including dichlorinated naphthalenes, trichlorinated naphthalenes, tetrachlorinated naphthalenes, pentachlorinated naphthalenes, hexachlorinated naphthalenes, heptachlorinated naphthalenes, octachlorinated naphthalene	Production	Intermediates in production of polyfluorinated naphthalenes, including octafluoronaphthalene
	Use	Production of polyfluorinated naphthalenes, including octafluoronaphthalene

- Also decides to amend part I of Annex C to the Convention to list therein polychlorinated naphthalenes, including dichlorinated naphthalenes, trichlorinated

naphthalenes, tetrachlorinated naphthalenes, pentachlorinated naphthalenes, hexachlorinated naphthalenes, heptachlorinated naphthalenes, octachlorinated naphthalene, by inserting “Polychlorinated naphthalenes, including dichlorinated naphthalenes, trichlorinated naphthalenes, tetrachlorinated naphthalenes, pentachlorinated naphthalenes, hexachlorinated naphthalenes, heptachlorinated naphthalenes, octachlorinated naphthalene” in the “Chemical” table in a new line below “polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins and dibenzofurans (PCDD/PCDF)” and by inserting “polychlorinated naphthalenes, including dichlorinated naphthalenes, trichlorinated naphthalenes, tetrachlorinated naphthalenes, pentachlorinated naphthalenes, hexachlorinated naphthalenes, heptachlorinated naphthalenes, octachlorinated naphthalene,” after “polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins and dibenzofurans” in the first paragraph of parts II and III of Annex C.

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