

## Annex

### Consequences for Parties of listing a chemical in Annex A, B or C of the Stockholm Convention

#### I. Aim of listing chemicals in Annex A, B or C

##### Annex A

**Goal:** Elimination of production and use of all intentionally produced persistent organic pollutants.

**Import and export:** in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 3 of the Convention.

##### Annex B

**Goal:** Restriction of production and use, in accordance with the provisions of that annex.

##### Annex C

**Goal:** Continuing minimization and, where feasible, ultimate elimination of the total releases of chemicals.

#### II. Obligations for Parties upon entry into force of an amendment listing a substance in Annex A, B or C to the Convention

1. Upon entry into force of the amendment listing a substance in Annex A, B or C to the Convention, Parties must:
  - (a) Implement control measures on the chemical listed, designing those control measures in accordance with the annex and the specific considerations listed for the chemical in that annex;
  - (b) Pursuant to Article 7 of the Convention, and taking into account the annex to decision SC-2/7, review and, if necessary, update their national implementation plans in order to address the following issues as they relate to each of the substances added to the Convention.

##### A. Measures to reduce or eliminate releases from intentional production and use (Article 3)

2. In the case of intentionally produced persistent organic pollutants, Parties must:
  - (a) Prohibit and/or take measures to eliminate (Annex A chemicals) or restrict (Annex B chemicals) the production and use of the chemical in question;
  - (b) Determine, if relevant, the need to request a specific exemption in accordance with Article 4 of the Convention and notify the Secretariat;
  - (c) Take measures to comply with trade restrictions specified in the Convention;

##### B. Measures to reduce or eliminate releases from unintentional production (Article 5)

3. In the case of unintentionally produced persistent organic pollutants (Annex C chemicals), Parties must, at a minimum:
  - (a) Develop an action plan, including inventories or estimates of current and projected releases;
  - (b) Promote measures to achieve a meaningful level of release reduction or source elimination;

- (c) Promote the development of substitute materials, products and processes to prevent the formation and release of chemicals listed in Annex C;
- (d) Promote or require the use of best available techniques and best environmental practices for identified sources categories.

**C. Measures to reduce or eliminate releases from stockpiles and wastes (Article 6)**

4. In the case of stockpiles of persistent organic pollutants listed in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention, Parties must:
    - (a) Develop and implement strategies to identify stockpiles of, or substances containing, a chemical listed in Annex A, B or C, as well as products and articles in use and wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with any such chemical;
    - (b) Manage stockpiles in a safe, efficient and environmentally sound manner until they are deemed to be wastes.
  5. In the case of wastes from persistent organic pollutants listed in Annexes A, B or C of the Convention, Parties must:
    - (a) Develop strategies to identify products and articles in use containing waste;
    - (b) Take measures to handle, collect, transport and store wastes in an environmentally sound manner;
    - (c) Dispose of wastes so that persistent organic pollutant content is destroyed or irreversibly transformed so that the wastes do not exhibit the characteristics of persistent organic pollutants otherwise disposed of in an environmentally sound manner;
    - (d) Not allow wastes to be subjected to disposal operations that may lead to recovery, recycling, reclamation, direct reuse or alternative uses of persistent organic pollutants;
    - (e) Only transport wastes across international boundaries if taking into account relevant international rules, standards and guidelines;
    - (f) Develop strategies for identifying sites contaminated by persistent organic pollutants.
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