

## EU IMPOSES TRI BAN

As you already have been made aware, the European Union has tightened their regulations for the use of certain chemicals by enforcing the REACH regulation policies (Appendix XIV of 17.04.13). The European Union has issued a **ban on the use of trichlorethylene (TRI)** in open applications.

This ban will be strictly enforced within all countries of the European Union as per 21.04.2016. By this date, all stocks must either be used up or disposed of.

## REMA TIP TOP CHANGES PRODUCTION OVER

REMA TIP TOP AG has drawn its conclusions regarding the coming Europe-wide TRI ban and will cease production of products containing TRI at its German/European production facility by **31.03.2014**. Only TRI-free products will be manufactured at the German/European production facilities at REMA TIP TOP after this date.



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BECOME TRI(CHLOROETHYLENE)-FREE  
WITH REMA TIP TOP

## CHANGE OVER IN GOOD TIME!

Utilize the upcoming months to change both your customers and yourself over to TRI-free solvents and adhesive systems. REMA TIP TOP will support you in this with good advice.

Under the theme „REMA TIP TOP TRI-FREE“ we are starting an information campaign that will help you and your customers to prepare your TRI exit.

On our specially-prepared website  
→ [www.rtt-tri-free.eu](http://www.rtt-tri-free.eu) you can find further information, including the following subjects:

- Important background information
- Choice of replacement products
- Regulatory deadlines
- Checklists and other aids

### TIP FROM THE EXPERTS

#### What do I have to consider when exiting?

The replacement products contain different solvents. When applying, the following points in particular must be taken into consideration:

- Airing characteristics (drying times)
- Flammability (application and storage)
- Apply sparingly
- Avoid premature evaporation (cover containers and wrap brushes)
- Lower consumption (due to lower density)



## WHAT DO ALTERNATIVE SOLVENTS MEAN FOR ME?

Solvents that do not contain chlorinated hydrocarbons (CHC) are flammable. For this reason, the safety regulations that apply to application and storage of these products are different.

### What advantages does early changeover bring?

- TRI-free systems are future-proof
- TRI-free systems are less expensive
- Avoiding of unnecessary time pressure
- Reduction in weight when transporting (TRI-free systems have a lower specific weight)
- High costs of disposal are avoided
- TRI-free systems from REMA TIP TOP are CHC- and aromate-free

### Further information

Do you have further questions regarding the TRI-exit or our alternative products? We'll be happy to advise you personally. Write to us at:

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