

EU BPR (528/2012)

FACT SHEET



Are you compliant?

EU Biocidal Products Regulation

The EU Biocidal Products Regulation (EU BPR 528/2012) regulates the use of chemicals used to control organisms (biocidals) within the European Union and its waters. These substances are reviewed every 5-10 years. The use of certain substances is prohibited, others are admitted under strict conditions.

Areas of Application in Shipping

The EU BPR applies to Marine Growth Prevention Systems (MGPS), such as electrochlorination units, Impressed Current Anti-Fouling systems (ICAF) that make use of copper anodes (incl. replacement anodes), anti-fouling coatings, etc. Geographically, The BPR applies in all EU waters. As soon as a vessel of any type enters EU waters, the vessel's systems including MGPS/ICAF systems must comply with the EU BPR.

Article 95 list

The Article 95 list gives an overview of all Authorized Active Substance Suppliers. The companies on the list have contributed to the revision process by providing additional information about the way the substances are used. As from 1 September 2015, a biocidal product cannot be made

available on the EU market unless the substance or product supplier is included in the Article 95 list for the Product Type to which the product belongs.

Any vessel owner, operator, shipyard (new build and repair/conversion) who purchases equipment or spare parts that fall under the EU BPR from a supplier that is not on the Article 95 list, violates EU regulations and risks penalties from the relevant national supervising authority.

How to make sure you are compliant?

MME Group is one of the few suppliers of Marine Growth Prevention Systems (MGPS / ICAF) and spare copper anodes from the Netherlands that is listed on the Article 95 list. If your vessel currently uses one or more ICAF-systems from non-listed suppliers, we can offer replacement of the power unit and anodes at competitive rates. This is the only way to make sure the vessel you build or operate is compliant with the EU Biocidal Products Regulation.

Feel free to contact us if you have any questions!