

General Declaration

To: Whom it may concern **Date:** February 12, 2025

From: Smit, Weesp **Topic:** Biocidal Products Regulation

We, Smit, Weesp, The Netherlands, herewith declare the following:

The definition of a biocidal product in the Biocidal Products Regulation is as follows:

Article 3

Definitions

- 1. For the purposes of this Regulation, the following definitions shall apply:
 - (a) 'biocidal product' means
 - any substance or mixture, in the form in which it is supplied to the user, consisting
 of, containing or generating one or more active substances, with the intention of
 destroying, deterring, rendering harmless, preventing the action of, or otherwise
 exerting a controlling effect on, any harmful organism by any means other than
 mere physical or mechanical action,
 - any substance or mixture, generated from substances or mixtures which do not themselves fall under the first indent, to be used with the intention of destroying, deterring, rendering harmless, preventing the action of, or otherwise exerting a controlling effect on, any harmful organism by any means other than mere physical or mechanical action.
 - A treated article that has a primary biocidal function shall be considered a biocidal product.

[...]

(I) 'treated article' means any substance, mixture or article which has been treated with, or intentionally incorporates, one or more biocidal products;

At this moment Smit does not supply biocidal products for use in leather tanning.

Our post-tanning products are designed to modify and/or upgrade leather properties, they do not have the intention of destroying, deterring, rendering harmless, preventing the action of, or otherwise exerting a controlling effect on, any harmful organism.

Some of our products contain a small amount of in-can preservative, with the sole function of protecting the product itself during its shelf life. These preservatives do not have the intention to protect the leather against harmful organisms.

These products have been or will be registered as such.



If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Certified true and correct.

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