

## Do the handles of CHP Tools have Phthalates?

While the US ban on the use of phthalates in plastics applies to children's toys (See Section 108 of the CPSIA), the ban in the EU under the REACH directive has been in place for phthalates and other substances under a broader scope.

To ensure a global acceptance of CHP tools, the handles of CHP tools are made from a thermoplastic material (TPR) and comply with the EU standard EN 14372:2005 and the 1907/2006/REACH directive limiting the exposure to phthalates.

Please see the attached declaration provided by the manufacturer of the material for the CHP tool handles.

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