

TDK Foil Iceland

Pollutant Release and Transfer Register 2019 – Report

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Introduction

The following regulations address the pollutant release and transfer register:

- Icelandic regulation no. 990/2008 on pollutant release and transfer register.
- Regulation (EC) no. 166/2006 concerning the establishment of a European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register and amending Council Directives 91/689/EEC and 96/61/EC.

Industries that fall under Appendix I of reg. (EC) no. 166/2006 are according to Regulation no. 990/2008 required to:

- a) Submit to the Icelandic Environmental Agency (EA) information on all releases of pollutants to air, water and land from each operational unit of the industry, where pollutant releases exceed threshold values specified in Appendix II of the regulation (EC).
- b) Industries are required to submit information on the off-site transfers of hazardous waste exceeding 2 tonnes per year, or of non-hazardous waste exceeding 2000 tonnes per year, for any operations of recovery or disposal. Waste shall be indicated with "R" if the waste is intended for recovery and with "D" if it is intended for disposal. If hazardous waste is to be transported across country borders, the name and address of the recycler or disposer of the waste shall be disclosed, as well as the actual site of recovery or disposal.
- c) Provide information on the off-site transport of pollutants in wastewater. As in paragraph a), this is valid for pollutants specified in Appendix II of the EC regulation.

The above information shall be submitted before May 1st of each year. TDK Foil Iceland ehf. falls under category 2 of Appendix I, Production and processing of metals, and subcategory f), Installations for surface treatment of metals and plastic materials using an electrolytic or chemical process where the volume of the treatment vats equals 30 m³.

In this report, the quantity and fate of possibly polluting substances used in the production process at TDK Foil Iceland ehf., as specified in the EC regulation, is addressed. The release of pollutants from TDK Foil Iceland ehf. that must be reported is submitted to the Icelandic Environmental Agency electronically in a specified excel sheet.

Pollutants

In Appendix II of the EC regulation, 91 pollutants are listed, including threshold values (kg/year) for their release to air, water and to land, if it applies. If the release exceeds the threshold value in Appendix II, it must be registered in a format according to Appendix III in the EC regulation. A guidance document has been issued for the EC regulation, "Guidance Document for the implementation of the European PRTR" (May 2006). Sector-specific air pollutants and water pollutants are tabulated in Appendices 4 and 5 of the guidance document, respectively. Pollutants from Appendix 4 are compiled in Table 1 and pollutants from Appendix 5 in Table 2. The tables include threshold values from the EC regulation, which indicate whether the pollutant is to be reported to the Environmental Agency in an appropriate format.

No.	Pollutant, name	Threshold	Release			
		value for release	reviewed/estimated			
		kg/year	See table 3			
1	Methane (CH4)	100,000				
2	Carbon monoxide (CO)	500,000				
3	Carbon dioxide (CO2)	100,000,000	Yes			
4	Hydro-fluorocarbons (HFCs)	100	Yes			
5	Nitrous oxide (N2O)	10,000	Yes			
6	Ammonia (NH3)	10,000	Yes			
7	Non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC)	100,000				
8	Nitrogen oxides (NOx/NO2)	100,000				
9	Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)	100				
10	Sulphur hexafluoride (SF6)	50				
11	Sulphur oxides (SOx/SO2)	150,000				
14	Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs)	1				
15	Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)	1				
16	Halons	1				
17	Arsenic and compounds (as As)	20				
18	Cadmium and compounds (as Cd)	10				
19	Chromium and compounds(as Cr)	100				
20	Copper and compounds (as Cu)	100				
21	Mercury and compounds (as Hg)	10	Yes			
22	Nickel and compounds (as Ni)	50				
23	Lead and compounds (as Pb)	200				
24	Zinc and compounds (as Zn)	200				
35	Dichloromethane (DCM)	1,000				
42	Hexachlorobenzene (HCB)	10				
47	PCDD + PCDF (dioxins + furans) (as Teq)	0.0001				
48	Pentachlorobenzene	1				
49	Pentachlorophenol (PCP)	10				
50	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)	0.10				
52	Tetrachloroethylene (PER)	2,000				
57	Trichloroethylene	2,000				
62	Benzene	1,000				
70	Di-(2-ethyl hexyl) phthalate (DEHP)	10				
72	Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)	50				
80	Chlorine and inorganic compounds (as HCl)	10,000	Yes			
84	Fluorine and inorganic compounds (as HF)	5,000				
85	Hydrogen cyanide (HCN)	200				
86	Particulate matter (PM10)	50,000				

Table 1 Air pollutants and threshold values for release (reportable threshold values) according to Annex 4,including identification of pollutants whose release was reviewed or estimated at TDK Foil Iceland ehf.

Table 2 Water pollutants and threshold and reportable values for release according to Annex 5, including identification of pollutants whose release was reviewed or estimated at TDK Foil Iceland ehf.

No.	Pollutant, name	Threshold	Release	
		value for release	reviewed/estimated	
		kg/year	See table 3	
12	Total nitrogen	50,000	Yes	
13	Total phosphorus	5,000 Yes		
17	Arsenic and compounds (as As)	5		
18	Cadmium and compounds (as Cd)	5		
19	Chromium and compounds (as Cr)	50		
20	Copper and compounds (as Cu)	50		
21	Mercury and compounds (as Hg)	1	Yes	
22	Nickel and compounds (as Ni)	20	Yes	
23	Lead and compounds (as Pb)	20		
24	Zinc and compounds (as Zn)	100		
40	Halogenated organic compounds (as AOX)	1,000		
70	Di-(2-ethyl hexyl) phthalate (DEHP)	1		
71	Phenols (as total C)	20		
72	Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)	5		
76	Total organic carbon (TOC) (as total C or COD/3)	50,000	Yes	
79	Chlorides (as total Cl)	2,000,000	Yes	
82	Cyanides (as total CN)	50		
83	Fluorides (as total F)	2,000		
88	Fluoranthene	1		
91	Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	1		

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Table 3 Chemical substances used at TDK Foil Iceland ehf. that could be released to air or water to a certain extent in kg and litres.

	Amount (kg)	Substance	Receiver	Substnce nr.	Name of pollutant	Referance value (kg/y)	Method M/C/E	Estimation of release	Quantity, if over threshold kg/yea
Organic acid	24.266	CO ₂	Air	3	Carbon dioxide	100.000.000		Total use of acid (24.266) and tot.l fuel oil (gasoline and diesel: (8.159 litres, approx. 6.748 kg). Total 31.014 kg, always bel. ref. val.	<
Fuel oil	6.748	CO ₂	Air						
Phosphoric acid, 75 %	768.769	PO ₄	Water (Air)	13	Total phosphorus	5.000	М	Average values of monitoring: 29,7 mg/l and flux 1.708 m³/day or 18.516	18.516
P3 - Ultrasil 60A	3.892	PO ₄	Water					kg/year	
		N ₂ O	Air	5	Nitrous oxide	10.000		Use of P3 – Ultrasil 60A 3.892 kg	<
Aqueous Ammonia,	41.657	NH ₃	Air	6	Ammonia	10.000	E	24,5% of 41.657 kg is 10.206 kg	10.206
24,5%	41.007	NH ₄	Water		Total nitrogen		50.000 E/M	Small amount of NH $_3$ from backwash, NO $_3$ from Ultrasil 78 and nitric acid). Total amount below reference value. Monitoring of N, 3,3 mg/l of 1.708 m 3 /day or 2.057 kg.	<
P3 - Ultrasil 78	1.771	NO ₃	Water	12		50.000			
Nitric acid, 65 % 1 Itr	50	NO ₃	Water						
Mercury, 99,99%, 1 kg	0	Hg	Air/Water	21	Mercury and compounds (as Hg)	Air:10 / Water: 1	E/M	Mercury no longer used in production since April 2018. Single point measurement Feb 2019: Not detectable	<
Hydrochloric acid, 30 %	15.707	CI	Water (Air)	79	Chlorides (as total Cl)	2.000.000		Use 15.707 kg	<
P3 - Ultrasil 110	322	SO3	Water						
Sodium hydroxide, 33%	145.924								
Motor oil	116								
Cooling agent (R407 C)	0	HFC	Air	4	Hydro-fluorocarbons (HFCs)	100		No release in 2019	<
Boric acid powder	1.250								
Antifreeze	0							No release in 2019	
Ethanol (Red Spirit),	102								
Nickel	0		Water	22	Nickel and comp. (as Ni)	20	E/M	Single point measurement Feb 2019; 21,9 μg/l** Estimated discharge of 0,0353 kg/day or 12,88 kg/year	<
Total organic carbon (TOC)	-		Water	76	Total organic carbon (TOC) (as total C or COD/3)	50.000	E/M	Conc.COD 17,9 mg/l. Flow 1,708 m³/day. Total COD 11.159 kg. Ratio COD/TOC ~ 3,1-3.3. Estimated TOC: 3.487 kg.	<
Waste (total)	279.119					2.000.000		Below reference value. Total waste means general waste, hazardous waste and waste for recycling	<
Hazardous waste	697					2.000		Oil sent for disposal. Release estim. 432 kg (500 litres, density 0,864 kg/L). Other: 265 kg.	<

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Waste

Hazardous waste

As presented in table 3, 697 kg of hazardous waste was collected in 2019 and delivered to an authorized waste management service. The highest single amount was 500 l (432 kg) of waste oil. The quantity is below the reference value for hazardous waste, which is 2.000 kg.

Other waste

In 2019, a total of 279.119 kg of waste and waste for recycling was transported to an authorized waste management service. Out of the total waste, 13.726 kg was unsorted general waste for disposal, 14.482 kg sorted plastic deemed unrecyclable, and 250.911 kg went to recycling. The quantity of waste was under the reference value for waste, which is 2.000 tonnes.

Summary

According to the above review of pollutant release in table 1 and table 2, the release of ammonia to air and the release of phosphorus in water in 2019 were above the threshold values, see description in table 3. The release of these substances is reported to the Environmental Agency in an Excel format, according to Appendix III in the EC regulation.

The off-site transport of general waste and of non-hazardous waste from the plant was under the reference values in 2019, as well as hazardous waste.

- TDK Foil Iceland ehf. aims to use the provided information in this accounting on the release of pollutants to reduce the release of substances if it is possible and feasible with regards to the manufacturing process, environment and cost.
- TDK Foil Iceland ehf. has used the most pragmatic methods to estimate the release of pollutants, such as purchase inventories, the balance of chemical substances, (emission factors) and calculations. TDK Foil Iceland ehf. aims to improve its estimation methods in the future in terms of added experience and new methods that will be presented in relevant guidance documents.

Attachment:

2019 Register for pollutant release exceeding threshold values, in Excel format