

Important Information (updated of 10.09.19)

Pre-submission of dossier :Firms deciding that France will defend their biocidal dossiers should interact with Anses 1 year at least before the submission of their dossier, via the Helpdesk (helpdesk-biocides@anses.fr).

[Communication for operator about 2 decret](#) : see attached document

The term biocidal products encompasses a group of products intended to destroy, deter or render harmless, prevent the action of or exert a controlling effect on any harmful organism, by

means of chemical or biological action. Although they target harmful organisms, biocides are by definition active products liable to have effects on humans, animals or the environment (see also Article 3.1 a) of Regulation (EU) No 528/2012). Processes for the *in situ* generation of biocidal products are also governed by Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 (the BPR), as well as treated articles incorporating biocidal products.

These products are classified into four major groups, comprising 22 different product types:

- Disinfectants, product types 1 to 5 (e.g. disinfectants for hands, disinfectants for water);
- Preservatives, product types 6 to 13 (e.g. products for protecting wood against insects or fungi, products for the preservation of leather, products for the preservation of fluids used in metal processing);
- Pest control products, product types 14 to 20 (e.g. rodenticides, insecticides);
- Other products, product types 21 and 22 (e.g. antifouling paints applied on boats, fluids used in taxidermy and embalming).

Marketing authorisation (MA) application dossiers for biocidal products are examined in accordance with the provisions of the BPR. A helpdesk has been created to meet the needs of industrial companies wishing to submit such applications. ANSES has set up this free service to enable companies to find sufficient information on the various aspects of biocide regulations, to help them meet their regulatory obligations.

For whom?

This helpdesk is aimed at any company that produces, imports, uses or markets a biocidal product: producers, formulators, importers, applicants/third-party applicants, current authorisation holders and downstream users.

What for?

The main aim of the helpdesk is to assist companies wishing to apply for MA for biocidal

products, to comply with the regulatory requirements under Regulation (EU) No 528/2012. It also aims to provide easier access to the regulations, to information on the marketing of biocidal products, and to the procedures in force in France.