

Instruction to Clas Ohlson suppliers of melamine and polyamide kitchenware from China and Hong Kong

1 of July 2011, a new EU-regulation 284/2011 regarding specific conditions and detailed procedures for the import of polyamide and melamine plastic kitchenware origination in or consigned from the People's republic of China and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, China entered into force.

Test report shall follow every order/batch

For every order, a test report shall follow the shipment. The test report shall state:

- Suppliers item no
- Batch no / order no
- If possible, Clas Ohlson item number
- Test conditions

Test shall be performed according to

- Regulation 284/2011
- EU guidelines for the import of polyamide and melamine kitchenware from China and Hong Kong
- Technical guidelines on testing the migration of primary aromatic amines from polyamide kitchenware and of formaldehyde from melamine kitchenware which are to be found at http://ec.europa.eu/food/food/chemicalsafety/foodcontact/documents_en.htm

For **polyamide products**, chemical test shall be performed for primary aromatic amines. The detection limit applies to the sum of primary aromatic amines, and is set to 0,01 mg/kg food or food stimulant. The test shall always be performed at at least 100°C for min 2 hours. This shall be clearly stated in the test report.

For **melamine products**, analytical results demonstrating that they do not release into foods or food simulants formaldehyde in a quantity exceeding 15 mg/kg food shall follow the shipment.

Electronic test report for each batch shall be sent to Clas Ohlson, karin.soderdahl@clasohlson.se, at the latest when QC is performed for the product. Clas Ohlson will check the test report, and if there is something missing, new tests has to be performed before the goods is shipped.

Original test report with signature from the test lab shall be sent to Clas Ohlson at the latest when the goods is loaded.

Original test report shall be sent to

Clas Ohlson AB, Att: Sara Olsson, Import / Spedition, 793 85 Insjön, Sweden. The report can be sent with other shipping documents.

DoC for the shipment

Every test report / shipment shall also be followed by a Declaration of Conformity, stating

- Order no.
- Test report no.
- Suppliers item no. batch no. + lot no.
- Clas Ohlson item no.

The DoC shall be sent as an electronic file with the electronic test report. Original DoC with suppliers signature shall be sent with the original, signed test report.

Loading of container with melamine and polyamide kitchenware products.

EU custom will perform chemical testing for 10% of all incoming shipments. If a Clas Ohlson shipment is picked for extra chemical testing, it shall be easy to unload the melamine or polyamide kitchenware so the rest of the goods is not delayed. Polyamide and melamine kitchenware shall be loaded closest to the door in the container.

Any questions can be directed to Ellinor Wickström, ellinor.wickstrom@clasohlson.se

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