



## Non-application of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)

**Valid for the year 2016**

### **Scope: BIC® Pencils, Mechanical pencils and Crayons**

The requirements to inform through Material Safety Data Sheets are not applicable to **articles**, in opposition to **substances or mixtures classified as dangerous** according to the European regulation (CE) n° 1272/2008 (CLP). This regulation should ensure a high level of protection of human health and the environment, as well as the free movement of these substances and preparations.

It is important not to confuse it with the different regulations derived from UNO's recommendations which rule the transport of dangerous goods worldwide.

The above-mentioned products are not considered as substances or mixtures but as **articles**, an article being "an object which during production is given a special shape, surface or design which determines its function to a greater degree than does its chemical composition" according to article 3 of the REACH regulation 1907/2006 (CE).

The main function of a pencil or a crayon is to be an instrument whose ergonomic shape and highly technical colouring system associated to the friction between the lead and the paper, allow the user to draw a neat and accurate line or to colour with precision.

Therefore, the requirements to inform through Material Safety Data Sheets are not applicable to these products.

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#### ***Name and signature of the authorized person***

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