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1. IMDS Release 15.0 planned for next weekend (5th/6th July 2025)

All of the following enhancements are described in detail in the [IMDS Release 15.0 Release Notes document](#).

Dynamic SVHC

Some substances are only treated as SVHC under certain conditions. This affects all parts of the system that refer to SVHC (display of the substance in an MDS's tree or MDS report, searching for the substance via the tree search or WhereUsed-Analysis and inclusion of the substance in SCIP submissions).

MCCP regulation

A new substance group is introduced for MCCP (medium-chain chlorinated paraffins). A new regulation type for MCCP is made available in the regulation wizard (also known as Chemistry Manager). This regulation type generally behaves the same way as other regulation types like BPR or REACH.

Show rest as range

Portions defined as "Rest" will be displayed as ranges with minimum and maximum values in case there is at least one other reference on the same level defined with a range. The fix value displayed as the "Rest" value prior to release 15.0 represented the reference's weighted mean and will still be available accordingly.

Product Carbon Footprint (PCF) information

IMDS will offer the option to assign Product Carbon Footprint (PCF) information for each Module/MDSs in IMDS.

Entering PCF information is similar to entering information in the existing Regulation Wizard and **is not mandatory**. It does not require a new version of the MDS (similar to regulatory information) and it is not linked to the usual release process of received MDS. Existing MDSs without PCF information remain valid and new ones can be released and sent without requiring PCF information.

Carbon footprint information is split into two sections:

- **Product carbon footprint**, which is entered in the ingredients section and is based on the production site(s) where the product is manufactured.
- **Transport carbon footprint**, which is entered for each recipient of an MDS and represents the transportation of the product from a production site to a specific customer site.

Carbon footprint information for components is entered as “kg CO₂e / component”, while for semi-components and materials the unit is “kg CO₂e / kg of material”. Like regulatory information, new versions of both product carbon footprint and transport carbon footprint information can be created without requiring a new version of the Module/MDS. However, contrary to regulatory information, carbon footprint information is assigned to individual versions of Modules/MDSs. While the information is transferred when creating a new version of a Module/MDS, different versions of the same Module/MDS do not share the same carbon footprint information. No carbon footprint information is provided for Published Standard MDSs and unlike regulatory information, it is not possible to enter carbon footprint for references to such MDSs.

Updated User Privileges

IMDS now offers more detailed options to manage user privileges. While in prior IMDS releases, user privileges were dependent on both the user’s profile and additional individual access rights such as “Chemistry Manager Access” or “May mark MDS as obsolete”, the new system solely relies on individual privileges. These privileges include access to features that previously were covered by profiles. To simplify user rights management, the system provides “presets” of privileges. These presets cover similar combinations of access rights the previous profiles and can be used to quickly assign all privileges associated with a specific role.

With the rollout of IMDS Release 15.0 each user will retain their access rights. An update of each user’s privileges is therefore not necessary.

One exception is the privilege to view regulatory information (read-only access to the Regulation Wizard / Chemistry Manager). This privilege will be part of each preset and will be automatically assigned to each user during the release, who does not yet have access to the Regulation Wizard.

Check change: Mandatory regulatory information

When sending, proposing, or publishing an MDS for which regulatory information can be entered (including nodes and referenced Standard MDSs), an error message will be displayed in the check result in case regulatory information has not been entered (status “no reg. info. provided yet”). There are no such messages when releasing a Module or MDS internally. Image 15: Error in check result for missing regulatory information If regulatory information is available but does not match the MDS’s composition (status “incomplete”), a warning message is displayed instead. Please note that regulatory information can still only be entered if at least one version of the MDS has been released. E.g., a newly created material in version 0.01 which contains regulated substances, cannot be sent, and has to be released and proposed instead. There are no messages in the check results for incomplete or missing regulatory information within referenced Modules or MDSs.

2. New Recommendation IMDS 027

With the upcoming IMDS Release 15.0, PCF (Product Carbon Footprint) reporting will be integrated into the IMDS system. To support this new feature, we have already published the **new IMDS Recommendation 027 that will come into effect with Release 15.0**. This Recommendation provides detailed guidelines on how to enter PCF data in IMDS, ensuring accurate and consistent reporting.

It has been developed based on the Catena-X PCF Rulebook V3 in successful and close cooperation between the IMDS Steering Committee and the supplier associations AIAG, CLEPA und JAPIA.

This Recommendation 027 as well as all other Recommendations can be found within IMDS in the Help menu under Recommendations.

3. Further Recommendation Updates

In addition to the new Recommendation 027 which enters into force together with IMDS Release 15.0, other Recommendations are currently updated:

Recommendation 001 and Annex 001a

In addition to editorial changes, the contained information on the Regulation Wizard in IMDS is removed and added to Recommendation 026.

Recommendation 026

The removed contents on the Regulation Wizard from Recommendation 001 and the Annex 001a are added, because the regulatory information entered gains more and more importance.

4. Users' Echo - e-mails sent to IMDS

We are a small company with 2 IMDS-a2 licenses and heard about IMDS Plus. Is this a new service? Does it replace IMDS-a2?

Thanks.



Dear IMDS User,

Indeed, we (DXC Technology) are restructuring our IMDS Service offerings - formerly known as IMDS Advanced Solutions - under the name "IMDS Plus Portfolio".

1. The first and already launched part of it is the [IMDS Connect](#) service which replaces the former IMDS Advanced Interface.
2. The second main part will be the IMDS Plus solution, formerly known as IMDS Advanced Accelerator or IMDS-a2. To inform about what this is and how it works, we have collected different questions and answers [on this page](#).
3. Furthermore, also CDX, MaCS, IMDS Reorganization and IMDS Training are part of our [IMDS Plus Portfolio](#).

Best regards,

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5. Who should be contacted at the automobile manufacturers?

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