



Australian Government
Attorney-General's Department

Chemical Security Precursors to Homemade Explosives Regulation Impact Statement

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON HOW TO MAKE A SUBMISSION

The Attorney-General's Department (AGD) invites submissions on the Consultation Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) on precursor chemicals to homemade explosives. The Consultation RIS analyses a number of options to treat the security risks posed by precursor chemicals to homemade explosives. AGD is seeking input from the general public and industry on several key issues including the perceived effectiveness of the proposed measures and their respective costs to industry.

AGD is particularly interested in receiving input from businesses that manufacture, supply, handle or use any products that contain the following chemicals:

- Hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2)
- Sodium chlorate ($NaClO_3$)
- Nitric acid (HNO_3)
- Potassium chlorate ($KClO_3$)
- Sodium perchlorate ($NaClO_4$)
- Potassium perchlorate ($KClO_4$)
- Ammonium perchlorate (NH_4ClO_4)
- Sodium nitrate ($NaNO_3$)
- Potassium nitrate (KNO_3)
- Nitromethane (CH_3NO_2)
- Sodium azide (NaN_3)

To access a copy of the Consultation RIS and to find out how to make a submission, please refer to the AGD Chemical Security program website at www.chemicalsecurity.gov.au. For further information you can also contact AGD on (02) 6141 2925 or 3012.

The Attorney-General's Department is now seeking public feedback on the issues raised by the Chemical Security Precursors to Homemade Explosives RIS.

This document sets out how you can make a submission.

Making a submission

AGD is seeking input from stakeholders through written submissions. The closing date for submissions is **30 March 2012**. Further details on how to make a submission are included below.

Format of submissions

All submissions, whether lodged by email or by post, must be accompanied by the cover sheet. Submissions sent by post must be typed or written clearly in black ink on A4 paper. For accessibility reasons, please submit electronic submissions in MS Word or RTF format. An additional PDF version may also be submitted.

Release/publication of submissions

All submissions will be treated as public documents – and published on the www.chemicalsecurity.gov.au website – unless the author of the submission clearly indicates the contrary by marking all or part of the submission as ‘confidential’ and completing the relevant parts of the submission cover sheet. All personal details other than your name, affiliated organisation and the State or Territory in which you reside will be removed before publishing. Submissions received by post will be available in PDF format on the website. AGD does not intend to formally reply to each submission.

Privacy

Personal information collected will be used to inform AGD of your views (or those who you represent). If a submission contains information relating to a third party individual, the author of the submission will be taken to have obtained the expressed and informed consent of the relevant third party.

Discretion of Australian Government to refuse to publish material

The Australian Government reserves the right to refuse to publish submissions, or parts of submissions, which contain offensive language, potentially defamatory material or copyright infringing material.

Conditions of submission

By making a submission, you will be taken to have read, understood and agreed to all conditions set out in this document.

Lodgement of submissions

Submissions may be lodged in two ways:

Email (preferred):

Chemical.Security.RIS@ag.gov.au

By post:

ATTN: Mr Mark Whitechurch
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Closing date for submissions: **Friday 30 March 2012**.

For further enquiries on submissions please contact AGD at Chemical.Security.RIS@ag.gov.au or by telephoning (02) 6141 2925 or (02) 6141 3012.