

An amendment to Annex A adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants at its sixth meeting (Decision SC-6/13)

The Conference of the Parties,

1. Decides to amend part I of Annex A to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants to list therein hexabromocyclododecane, with specific exemptions for production as allowed for the parties listed in the Register of Specific Exemptions and for use in expanded polystyrene and extruded polystyrene in buildings by inserting the following row:

Hexabromocyclododecane	Production	As allowed for the parties listed in the Register in accordance with the provisions of Part VII of this Annex
	Use	Expanded polystyrene and extruded polystyrene in buildings in accordance with the provisions of Part VII of this Annex

2. Also decides to insert a definition for hexabromocyclododecane in part III of Annex A as follows:

“(c) “Hexabromocyclododecane” means hexabromocyclododecane (CAS No: 25637-99-4), 1,2,5,6,9,10-hexabromocyclododecane (CAS No: 3194-55-6) and its main diastereoisomers: alpha- hexabromocyclododecane (CAS No: 134237-50-6); beta-hexabromocyclododecane (CAS No: 134237-51-7); and gamma-hexabromocyclododecane (CAS No: 134237-52-8).”

3. Further decides to insert a new part VII in Annex A as follows:

Part VII

Hexabromocyclododecane

Each Party that has registered for the exemption pursuant to Article 4 for the production and use of hexabromocyclododecane for expanded polystyrene and extruded polystyrene in buildings shall take necessary measures to ensure that expanded polystyrene and extruded polystyrene containing hexabromocyclododecane can be easily identified by labelling or other means throughout its life cycle.

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