



RESPONSIBLE CARE

Principles for safety, health and protection of the environment

The member companies of the Swiss Society of Chemical Industries (SGCI/SSIC) declare themselves committed to the Swiss RESPONSIBLE CARE programme, the principles of which are listed as follows:

1. We regard safety and the protection of people and the environment as a prime concern in all areas where our products, processes and installations are involved.
2. We endeavour to develop and manufacture products which can be transported, used and disposed of in a safe manner and with compatible input on the environment as well as to operate our installations so that a high degree of safety, health protection and protection of the environment is ensured.
3. We are partners of a dialogue with the public and respect differing opinions; we are willing to provide in an appropriate manner information on our products, processes and installations, the effects on man and the environment as well as information on preventive protective measures.
4. We advise our customers on the safe transportation and handling of our products as well as the use and disposal in a safe manner and with compatible input on the environment. We accept our responsibility to man and to the environment in the transfer of technology.
5. We improve our knowledge and promote research on potential effects of our processes, products and wastes on man and the environment.
6. We strive, in cooperation with the authorities, to develop legal regulations, agreements, emergency plans and other measures for the protection of employees, the public and the environment, and we are also willing to cooperate with other organizations towards this end.
7. We promote the RESPONSIBLE CARE programme through the exchange of experience within the SSCI and develop criteria for the assessment of safety, health and the protection of the environment in the Swiss chemical industry.

