

Presentation on implementation of Article 14, (1) and (2)

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Who implements Article 14(1) and (2)*

	Competent authority (Please indicate which authority or authorities)	Operator	Both competent authority and operator	Other
Article 14, (1) (Annex	Regional Directorates			With the cooperation of
V , Part 1)	for Disaster			the mayors of the
	Management			municipalities.
Article 14 (1) (Annex	Regional Directorates			With the cooperation of
V , Part 2)	for Disaster			the mayors of the
	Management			municipalities.
Article 14 (2)				
Determining			$\sqrt{}$	
"persons likely to be				
affected"				
Article 14 (2)	Regional Directorates			With the cooperation of
(Information for	for Disaster			the mayors of the
Upper tier sites)	Management and local			municipalities.
	offices			

How are Article 14(1) and (2) implemented?

	Competent authority & other			
Article 14, (1) (Annex V, Part 1) Article 14 (1) (Annex V, Part 2)	Earlier: manually updated excel file from a database (managed by the National Directorate General) published on the main homepage of the Disaster Management + information brochure to the public + safety documentation is available for everyone at the mayor In recent years: as of the terrorist threat, we have to currently restrict uncontrolled public access (via the Internet) to hazardous operational information classified as sensitive data Ongoing project: automatically updated web database with such information as: - name, address, and GPS coordinates of the establishment - classification - permits from all the relevant co-authorities (eg. Seveso, building authority, occupational health and safety, environmental protection, etc.) - public information brochures, and the extract of the safety report/analysis - the date of the last inspection, - the inspection plan.			
Article 14 (2) Determining "persons likely to be affected"	Regional Directorates for Disaster Management model the worst-case scenarios (DNV Phast 8.61) based on the safety reports of the operators.			
Article 14 (2) (Information for Upper tier sites)	Active information: information brochure Passive information: announcement, public comments, open hearing, and the safety report shall be made available for everyone.			

Evaluating implementation

According to Article 14 (1) of the Directive, Member States shall ensure that the information referred to in Annex V is permanently available to the public, including electronically.

Article 22 (1) of the Directive permits the Member States to refuse or restrict the disclosure of information required under Article 14 if the conditions laid down in Article 4 of Directive 2003/4/EC are fulfilled (eg. public security or national defense).

Concerning Hungary's terrorist threat, in accordance with the Directive, Hungary currently restricts uncontrolled public access (via the Internet) to hazardous operational information classified as sensitive data.

The up-to-date information referred to in Annex V of the Directive, of course, remains permanently available to the public, by the competent mayor and the authority.

The restriction is only intended to reduce the unattended access to the information, in order to ensure the safety of the citizens.