

Slovak Republic

3-5 minute presentations on implementation of
Article 14, (1) and (2)

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

According to the national or local law, who is responsible for implementing the obligations under Article 14 (1) and (2) as indicated in the table below, and follow-up questions (a), (b), (c), and (d) as appropriate.

Please select the appropriate box. If further clarification is necessary, please feel free to explain your selection in words .

	Competent authority (Please indicate which authority or authorities)	Operator	Both competent authority and operator	Other
Article 14, (1) (Annex V, Part 1)			Operator Ministry of Environment	
Article 14 (1) (Annex V, Part 2)			Operator of upper-tier establishment Ministry of Environment	
Article 14 (2) Determining “persons likely to be affected”			Operator Ministry of Environment Ministry of Interior	
Article 14 (2) (Information for Upper tier sites)			Operator of upper-tier establishment Ministry of Environment	

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

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	Competent authority	Operator	Both competent authority and operator	Other
Article 14, (1) (Annex V, Part 1)			Operator is obliged to prepare the information based on these instructions, to ensure permanent access of public to the information and to provide access electronically on its website; Ministry of Environment publishes the information in the Information System	
Article 14 (1) (Annex V, Part 2)			Operator of upper-tier establishment is obliged to prepare the information based on these instructions, to ensure permanent access of public to the information and to provide access electronically on its website; Ministry of Environment publishes the information in the Information System	
Article 14 (2) Determining “persons likely to be affected”			Operator must include these information in the safety report and notification; Ministry of Environment determined persons likely to be affected; Based on informations from operators Ministry of Interior draws up an external emergency plan	
Article 14 (2) (Information for Upper tier sites)			Operator of upper-tier establishment is obliged to post the information on his website and to provide it to the municipality concerned, employees and administrators of public buildings concerned including schools, hospitals, social service facilities and all neighbouring establishments; Some operators supplied these informations in television, on the official board of municipality and some has developed brochures and leaflets for public which were sent by post; Ministry of Environment publishes the information in the Information System	

Evaluating implementation –

Authority - Please briefly describe any rules or guidance followed **by authorities** in implementing their duties

In the law there is an annex in which there are specified requirements of what should the information to the public contain. These informations are controlled during inspections.

Operator - How does the authority evaluate that the implementation **by the operator** is effective the requirement, (e.g., criteria, minimum information, frequency, methods)?

During inspections is controlled if the information is properly elaborated, well structured, up to date and if it was delivered to persons likely to be affected by a major accident.

Confidentiality - How do we deal with the requests for confidentiality? What information do we consider as confidential? Are there any criteria developed for declaring information as confidential?

The operator is required to mark some parts or data in the list of dangerous substances or in safety report which are considered as trade secret or should be kept confidential for the protection of intellectual property and personal data. Revised safety report must contain at least general informations about the hazards leading to a major industrial accident and about possible consequences on human health, property and environment. The operator submits a modified list of dangerous substances or modified safety report to district office in the regional capital and to Ministry of Environment.

If you have any specific examples of a good practice, please explain it briefly here.

Ministry of Environment operates an Information system, in which there are published informations to the public for all SEVESO establishments at one place.