

# 6.1 Car and boat products Enforcement projects 2014-2016

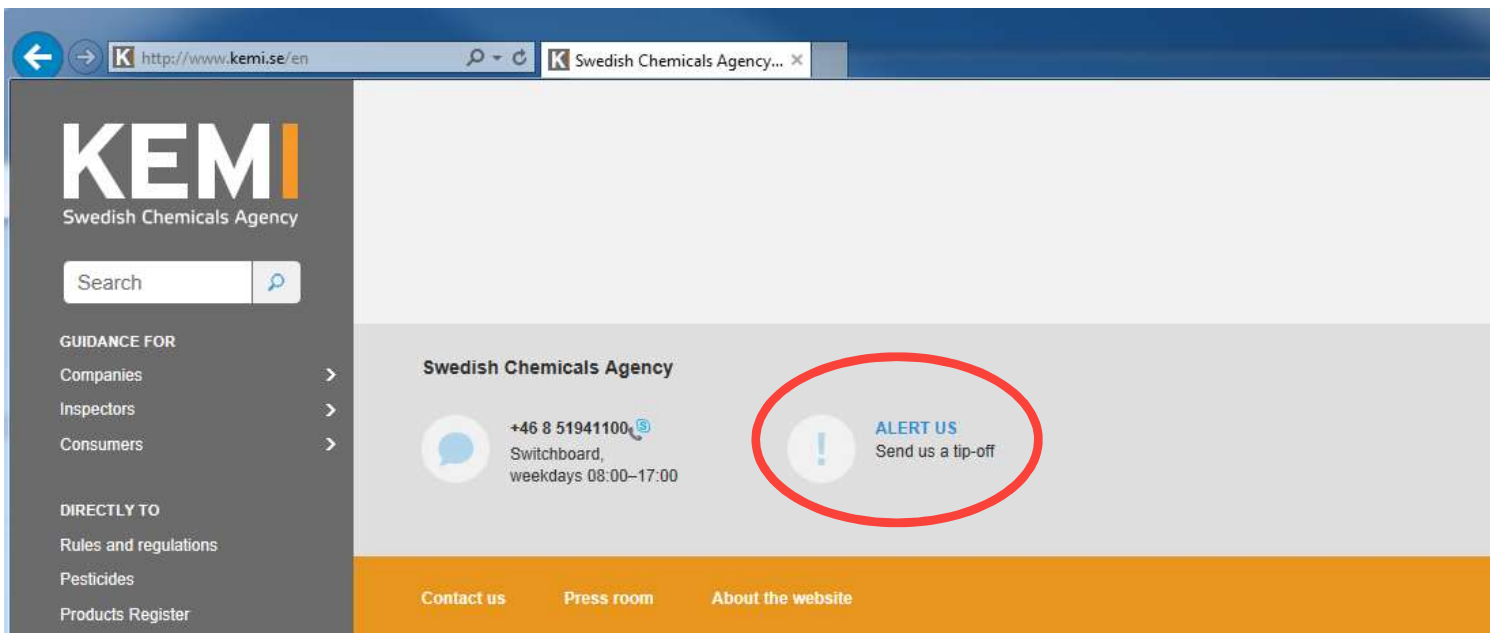
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# Different enforcement projects

- Regional inspection project
  - all companies within a limited area are inspected
- Individual companies
  - due to alerts
- Sector enforcement
  - when we get many alerts in the same field

# Why enforcement of car- and boatproducts?

- Many alerts to us indicated a problem with these kinds of products

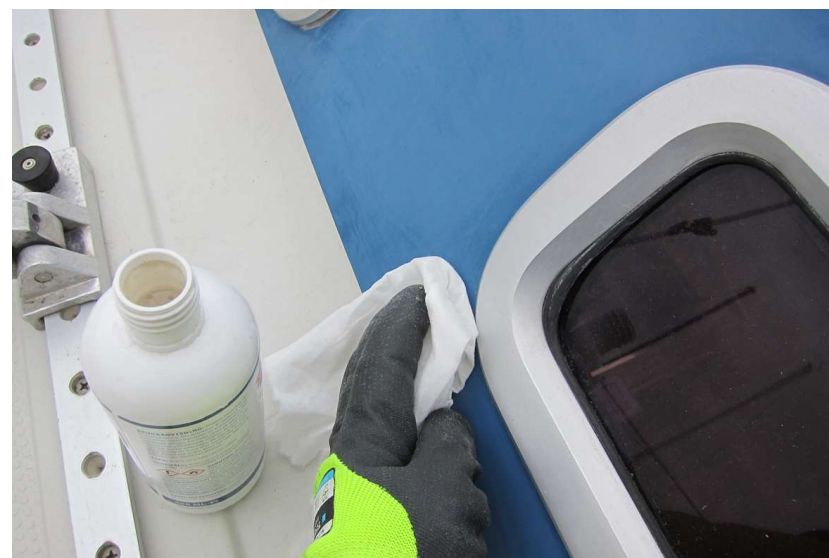


# Why enforcement of car- and boatproducts?

- Increasing numbers of small and new business
  - they are selling their products over the internet
  - poor information about hazard risks in products
  - the lack of information makes it is difficult to choose the least hazardous products
  - lacking information about how the consumers can protect themselves
- Every day people are the main consumers of this type of products
- Last time we did a sector inspection of car- and boatproducts was in the early 1990

# Projects and goal

- Two projects
  - 2014-2015 carproducts
  - 2015-2016 boatproducts
- Goal
  - risk reduction
  - compliance with regulations
  - knowledge building
  - safer Internet commerce



# How we found companies

- From alerts received to Keml
- Searches in the Swecish products registry
- Searching on the internet
- Checking the Suppliers to the companies
- Visiting the largest boatshow in Sweden



# Enforcement strategy

- Information was sent to the companies prior to the inspections for car products - but not for boat products
- Both on-site and desktop inspections.
- We inspected companies manufacturing, distributing and importing these products in order to check that the companies comply with rules and regulations with regard to placing on the market
- Inspections are carried out under the provisions of the Swedish Environmental Code

# Types of products

- Cleaners
- Anti-rust agents
- Sealants
- Car wax
- Oils
- Waterproofing
  
- No anti-fouling
- Not fuel





# Types of company selling carproducts

- Size of company
  - 32 mikro
  - 4 small
  - 2 medium
- Type of company
  - 7 importers
  - 3 down stream users
  - 35 distributors
- Web sales
  - 14 selling online

# Information about the companies selling carproducts

## Registration to the Swedish Products Register

- Business registration
  - 15 was not registered, 40 %
- Products registration
  - 10 was not registered, 26 %
- Cause for inspection
  - 20 alerts, 53 %
  - 18 found on the internet, 47 %

# Results

- In evaluation, we consider, our goals are accomplished
- Lots of media attention
  - Boat: 65 articles
  - Car: 36 articles
- The quality of SDS, classifications and labelling is in compliance
  - related to the inspected products



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## Båtvårdsmedel saknade livsviktig varningstext

Text: Lisa Berlin | oktober 4, 2016



Det tvålmedel som kan vara dödligt när det kommer ner i luftvägarna, som många inte skulle tänka på, saknade varningstext om riskerna.

För Kemikalieinspektionen i våra granskade 23 företag som importerar eller tillverkar båtvårdsprodukter som företagen sedan säljer i Sverige, hittade de brister i produktinformationen hos 23 av företagen.

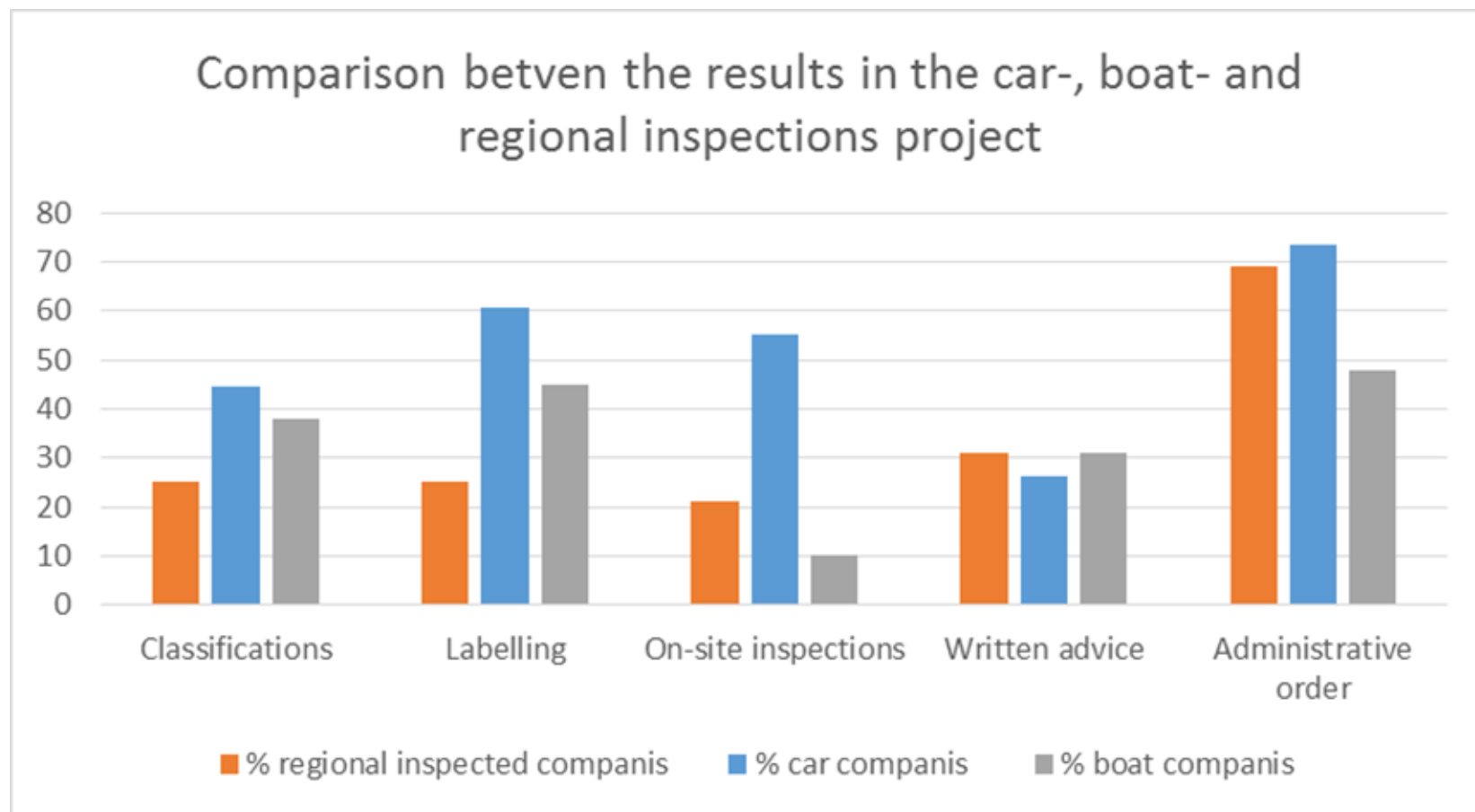
– Risken är att användarna inte får tillräcklig information om farorna med produkterna och informationen har brister eller saknas. Vår man inte vilka riskerna är kan man inte skydda sig själv och miljön på rätt sätt, säger Conny Larjenski, inspektör på Kemikalieinspektionen.

Myndigheten har krävt att företagen ska rätta till bristerna och har även anmält sju företag till åklagare misstänkta för miljöbrott. Granskningen visade att två produkter helt saknade förpackningsföreläsning. Den ena produkten, Sellkote, är ett emulgeringsmedel som enligt myndigheten är mycket brandfarligt och kan vara dödligt vid inandning om den kommer ner i luftvägarna. Den andra är även brandfarligt, kan orsaka organskador, misstänks kunna



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# Comparison of different enforcement strategy



# Comments from the inspected companies

- Want to act in compliance with the regulations
  - want it to be easy to make the right thing
- Wanted information about REACH/CLP and/or KemI at
  - Swedish Companies Registration Office
  - Swedish Customs
- Pleased with sector enforcement
- Wanted recorded seminars and training sessions on the internet
- Pleased to receive information before the inspection
- Develop KemI:s presence on for example Twitter, Facebook, You Tube etc

# Conclusions

- We have noted that this is companies with little or no knowledge about the regulations
  - recently started
  - small companies, 1 person
  - not the primary activity
  - lots of different products on internet, but small amount < 100 kg per product and year
- There is not enough information on their websites to be able to choose the least hazardous product
- These projects were time consuming for us
- There was a high level of non complaiens

# Way forward

- We need to work to make information about KemI and legislation available on Swedish Companies Registration Office and Swedish Customs websites
- Information from KemI to new companies about legislation and rules before upcoming enforcement
- Follow-up inspections to check on improvements
- We want to work with risk-based enforcement
  - We want to find the products and the companies before we get an alert about it
- Does anyone here have examples of risk-based enforcement?

Thanks for your attention

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