

Chemical Substances Control Law (CSCL)

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Purpose and Scope of CSCL

Purpose

- To prevent environmental pollution caused by chemical substances that pose a risk of impairing human health and interfere with the inhabitation and growth of flora and fauna.

Scope

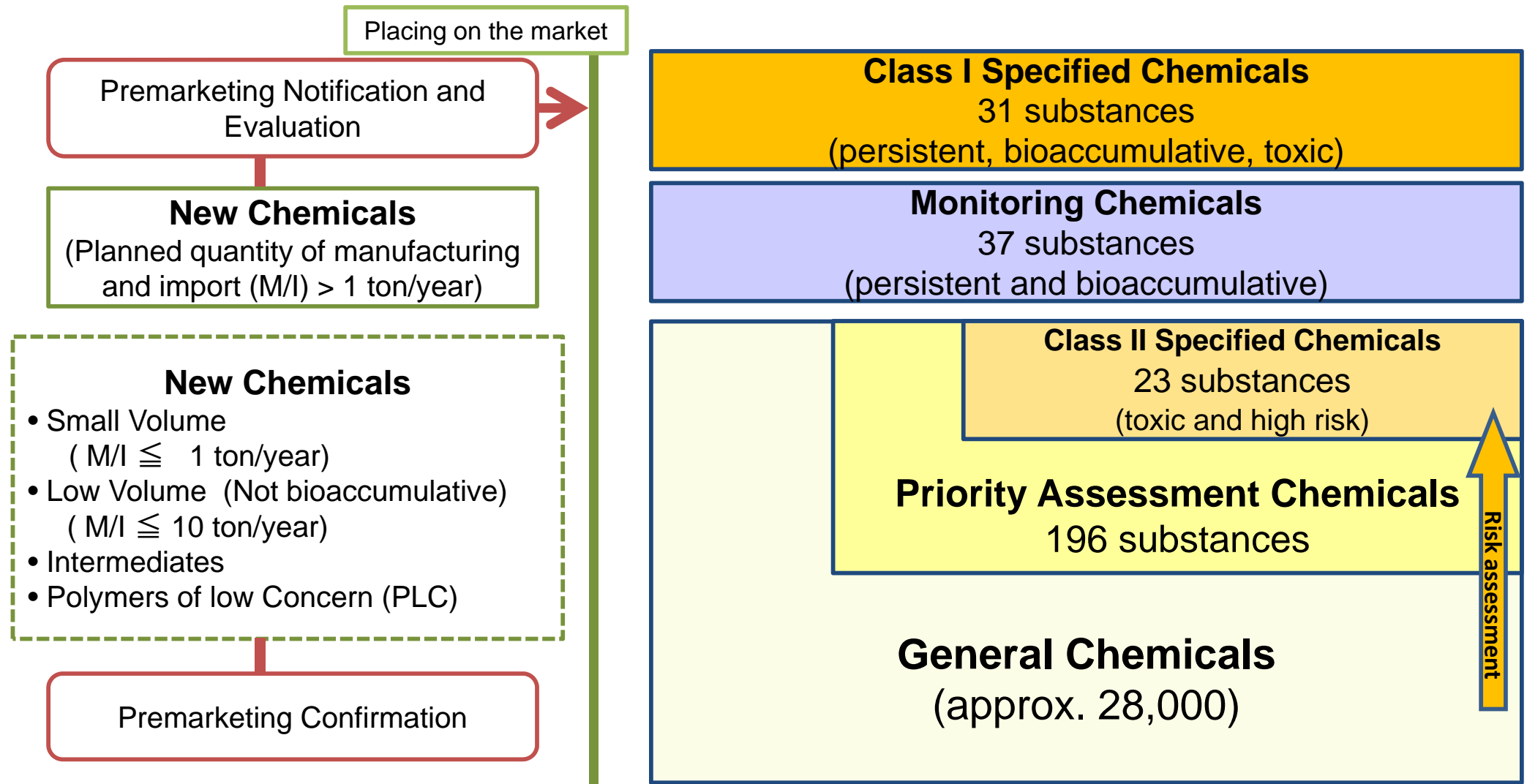
- Chemical substances
Chemical compounds substance created through chemical reactions.
- Industrial chemicals
Chemicals that are subject to other laws such as medicines and pesticides are outside the scope of CSCL

Outline

- New Chemicals
Notification to and evaluation by the government are required before manufacture/import.
- Existing Chemicals
Annual report of manufacture/import volume and usage is mandatory. The government conducts risk assessment based on this annual notification and may request additional toxicity information to the manufactures/importers if necessary.

Overview of CSCL

- The Japanese government conducts risk assessment in two phases, both before and after placing the substance on the market.
- Based on the result of risk assessment, the government may take measures to control risks associated with the chemical.



Evaluation/Assessment Flow of CSCL

