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Important Note

Dear customer,

We wish to inform you that starting from 2014, and continuing over a transitional period until June 1, 2015, QIAGEN will take steps to implement the requirements of the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) for the classification, labeling, and packaging of chemical substances and mixtures. This new regulation was introduced worldwide by the United Nations Economic Commission with the aim of providing improved, consistent hazard information.

The following changes will be implemented:

- Hazard symbols with black pictograms on an orange background will be replaced by black pictograms on a white background, surrounded by a red rhombus
- The classification criteria, as well as hazard and precautionary statements will be adapted, and signal words will be introduced
- Safety data sheets (SDSs) will be available in a convenient and compact PDF format online at www.qiagen.com/safety, where you will be able to find, view, and print the SDS for each QIAGEN® kit and kit component

The following **will remain unchanged**:

- Reagent compositions
- Kit performance
- Hazard potential of the products



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Best regards,

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