

Conflict minerals declaration

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The US Dodd Frank Act on Conflict Minerals has been legally binding since July 2010. It refers in particular to the minerals tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold and their derivatives, which are mined in conflict areas such as the Democratic Republic of Congo and the bordering crisis areas. It also aims, among other things, to restrict or prevent trade in these substances, which originate from these conflict areas, since armed groups are financed by the extraction and trade of these raw materials.

With this letter we would like to inform you as a customer of Josef Barthelme GmbH & Co. KG that we only use electronic parts and components from well-known manufacturers and long-standing distributors in our products. However, as a manufacturer of end-devices, we have no influence on the origin of minerals used by our suppliers. We can therefore accept no liability in this respect. We are committed to traceability and transparency of our suppliers' products.

Should we nevertheless learn of the use of these minerals, we will immediately initiate countermeasures, demand the immediate exchange of these conflict minerals and ultimately terminate the business relationship with the supplier.

Josef Barthelme GmbH & Co. KG is aware of its social responsibility with regard to the environment, safety, health and human rights and understands that its conduct in business transactions has an impact on society and the environment. In order to guarantee a peaceful, fair and sustainable use of our worldwide resources, Josef Barthelme GmbH & Co. KG acknowledges and confirms the following:

We ourselves do not directly import minerals or so-called "conflict minerals" and according to our current state of knowledge no conflict minerals are used in our products.

Furthermore, we do not process materials for which the country of origin corresponds to one of the countries listed above according to the certificate of origin.

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