

Instruction

7015 – Policy regarding Conflict Minerals

0	Summary, responsibility, contents	
0.1	Summary	The instruction gives rules for dealing with conflict material.
0.2	Responsibility	The Managing Director is responsible for the compliance of the instruction.
0.3	Contents	Instruction 3 pages
1	Background	
1.1	USA	In August 2012, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issued its final rules regarding “Conflict Minerals” (known as ‘3TG’ – Tantalum, Tin, Tungsten and Gold) as defined in and required by section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the “Act”). As a result, many companies are now focusing on whether and to what extent their products contain Conflict Minerals and whether such Conflict Minerals come from the Democratic Republic of Congo and the adjoining countries named in the Act.
1.2	EU	On 1 January 2021 a new law will come into full force across the EU – the Conflict Minerals Regulation. Details to be found in link https://ec.europa.eu/trade/policy/in-focus/conflict-minerals-regulation/regulation-explained/ .
1.3	CHS Controls	CHS Controls represents a number of products and companies and meet questions regarding possible content of conflict minerals CHS Controls is committed to ensure the health, safety and protection of people who come into contact with our products and business. We require high social, environmental and human rights standards among the companies we represent ie suppliers. Managing our obligations in relation to Conflict Minerals is a part of this responsibility.
2	CHS Controls’ commitments	We are working towards ensuring that products we represent and distribute do not contain Conflict Minerals that have been sourced from mines that support or fund conflict within countries supplying conflict materials. Therefore, we are committed to: -identifying which products are impacted and targeting our efforts accordingly -asking our suppliers to work towards ensuring that any Conflict Minerals contained in the products and materials supplied via CHS Controls originate from Conflict Free sources

-request our suppliers (partners) to fully comply with requirements of section 1502 of the Dodd–Frank Act and disclose sources of such minerals used in its products

-the requirements in the coming EU regulation

In addition we are committed to engage with our customers regarding their disclosure obligations and help with responding to questions in a timely manner.

Like many other companies tracing Conflict Minerals it will take time for a company like ours representing a large number of products from a number of companies to collect the information needed for us. This to fully understand and be able to address all related customer concerns re conflict minerals.

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Appendixes

None

Amendments to this instruction affect the entire instruction. Revision of the instruction affects **all** pages, if an amendment is made on **any** page

Approved Revision	Description	Page	By
0	Original	1-3	HÅJ
1	Micael Hellström replaces Hans-Åke Jönsson	1-3	MHE
2	Text adjustment, EU regulation added	1-3	MHE