

“RoHS Directive” with NORWE converted

The above mentioned European Union directive (RoHS = Restriction of hazardous substances) with effectiveness starting from 01.07.2006 bans six as dangerously classified substances from use on production of electrical and electronic products.

Update



The following substances may not be used any more in production:

- lead (Pb)
- mercury (Hg)
- cadmium (Cd)
- hexavalent chromium (CR [VI])
- polybrominated biphenyls (PBB)
- polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE)

The EU member states had to merge this RoHS directive into the respective national law until 13.08.2003. Products, which still include one of these substances will starting from that above mentioned deadline in the European Union not receive any market permission.

In time, i.e. already 1999, and thus before the publication of the planned and in particular environmental carefully aligned legislation in the year 2002, we at NORWE have given our prime attention to the conversion to “lead free”.

Already since end of 2004 NORWE offers all standard contact elements such as solder-pins and solder-tags for the catalogue articles changed over to pure tinning which can be recognized by the new material numbers from 200 upwards.

Moreover the standard thermoplastics used by NORWE do no longer contain any substances hazardous to the environment.

As purchaser of our usual standard components and accessories you can assume that the change of production in line with the RoHS has been finished by NORWE. We will be pleased to send you corresponding confirmations on request.

In the actual court decision regarding the RoHS directive 2002/95/EG the European Court of Justice has decided that the exemption of the ban of Deca-BDE (Decabromdiphenylether) a subcategory of PBDE is not allowed. That means that Deca-BEE falls into disuse in electrical and electronic equipment from 01.07.2008.

After consulting our manufacturers of plastics and additives we have been certified that in all materials delivered to NORWE GmbH no Deca BDE is included.

For further information and in particular technical questions, which may arise in connection with the conversion to “lead free” or the RoHS directive devoted, we are ourselves gladly at your service.