

Statement concerning conflict minerals

In July 2010 the President of the United States, Mr. Barack Obama signed the Dodd-Frank Act, which, besides the regulation of the finance markets, also obligates companies to renounce resources of conflict regions (§ 1502). This Act regulates imports and the use of conflict minerals of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and bordering countries. The following metals are affected by this regulation: tantalum, wolfram, tin and gold. The new law forces the listed companies in the USA to inform the "Securities and Exchange Commission" (SEC) annually, if products originate from one of these regions or which are produced using conflict minerals.

The new regulation became effective on April 17, 2011.

As a German company Speck is not directly subject to this regulation. Nevertheless Speck takes a position regarding the conformity of the active supplier base.

Until now no deviations from the regulation are known within our supply chain. We therefore assume that our products do not contain any of the mentioned materials from the named regions. In case we receive contrary information we will inform our customers directly.

Our supplier base is expressly assigned by our purchase conditions that only materials which originate from countries in the sense of the Dodd-Frank Act have to be used for the production of the goods delivered to Speck.

Obviously it is our aim to provide the best support to our customers. For this purpose Speck will continue to act in a sustainable way regarding this topic.

If you have any further questions please contact us: info@speck.de.

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