

Conflict Minerals Policy

Rohde&Schwarz is watching the American efforts to forbid and control exploitation and trade of conflict minerals originating in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the adjoining countries very closely. This is also true for the implementation provisions as of August 2012.

Rohde & Schwarz GmbH & CO. KG (Rohde & Schwarz) as a German privately owned and unlisted company does not directly fall under the scope of application of this US law, H.R. 4173 ''Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act'' Section 1502 "Conflict Minerals".

Nevertheless Rohde & Schwarz pays very much attention to the national, European and international developments regarding ethical, social and environmental standards. The Rohde & Schwarz Group of companies has always been committed to transparent business practises and high ethical standards. Furthermore, we expect also our suppliers to conduct their worldwide operations in a manner that does not result in labour or human rights violation and source minerals only from responsible sources. Rohde & Schwarz is in contact with several suppliers on a regular basis to avoid sourcing of Conflict Minerals.

Therefore, we for the time being can assume that Rohde&Schwarz does neither source and use raw material for its products nor knowingly use any other components for its products containing any of the defined "conflict minerals" like coltan, niobium, tantalum, tin, gold or tungsten.

