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WEEE and RoHS – Implementation at Rohde & Schwarz

The Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act (ElektroG) governing the sale, return and environmentally sound disposal of electrical and electronic equipment went into force in Germany on March 23, 2005.

The EU directives 2002/96/EC (Waste electrical and electronic equipment, WEEE) and 2002/95/EC (Restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment, RoHS) were thereby adopted as implemented in German national law.

As a global manufacturer of telecommunications and/as well as test & measurement equipment, we are implementing the requirements concerning the return of products, the design and labeling of equipment and the restricted use of hazardous substances stipulated by the law in due time.

We are registered in Germany in the WEEE (in Germany, EAR) register as a manufacturer of category 3 (IT and telecommunications) and category 9 (monitoring and control) equipment and have the assigned registration number

WEEE-ReG.-No.DE 24043786

in our commercial documents.

Substance restrictions

Article 5 of ElektroG, which is based on the RoHS requirements, will go into effect on July 1, 2006, and govern the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic products.

From then on, all Rohde & Schwarz products under the purview of the ElektroG law will meet the requirements (ElektroG §5 / RoHS).

The deadline for category 9 equipment has not been defined yet. However, starting July 1, 2006, we will use lead-free soldering in components for all our newly developed products.

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