

# Conditions regarding the Environment (UB)

of

Conrad Electronic SE  
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-hereinafter referred to as "Conrad"-

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-hereinafter referred to as the "Supplier"-

Supplier number: .....

## 1. Environmental resource management / Environmental protection

Environmental protection and the preservation of healthy natural resources is very important to Conrad. This is why we set great store by products and packaging that are produced in an environmentally sustainable way, by their re-use or disposal and by handling resources and raw materials with care.

This includes, for example:

- the environmentally compatible disposal and re-use of waste electrical equipment, packaging and batteries/rechargeable batteries
- the protection from hazardous materials in electrical and electronic equipment
- the protection of human health and the environment from possible risks due to chemicals
- an energy-efficient product design that conserves resources in order to save on CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations and energy consumption

Increasing prices for raw materials which are caused by a shortage of raw materials, and rare earth elements in particular, will pose a great challenge to all traders in the future.

The European Commission has issued directives in this regard. There will also be further directives in this respect in the future, all of which the companies (initial distributors of goods, e.g. manufacturers and importers) will have to take into account.

By law, Conrad must ensure that the products offered for sale or placed on the market by the initial distributors comply with the legal regulations. The market supervision authorities check whether the dealers comply with these obligations. Violations will be punished with fines, sales bans and a tarnished image.

For the above reasons, we regard compliance with the different EU directives, applicable law, regulations and standards as indispensable and self-evident, and an integral part of the process when selecting suppliers and products. As environmental protection concerns every one of us, we also expect our business partners to do their part.

Please understand that Conrad reserves the right to only add products to its product range for which the suppliers have provided written confirmation that the currently valid versions of the applicable statutes, regulations, directives and standards, etc., are complied with.

The requirements below are based on laws, directives, regulations or recommendations that are constantly subject to change. Here, it is irrelevant whether the Supplier is affected by the requirements below at all or not to the full extent at the time the contract was concluded.

The Supplier is therefore to ensure independently that the products to be delivered to Conrad always comply with the necessary current requirements by taking appropriate measures, even if the requirements below were not relevant at all or not to the full extent at the time the contract was concluded. On accepting the orders, the Supplier accepts the requirements below.

### Environmental resource management

Does the Supplier have an environmental resource management system?

**YES**     **NO**     **Planned**

- If the answer is **YES**, is this certified? Please provide a copy of the certificate.
- If the answer is **NO**, what system are you using?
- If it is being **planned**, when will it be implemented?

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## **2. Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act (ElektroG)**

The Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act (Directive 2002/96/EC; 2012/19/EU / WEEE recast) regulates the placing on the market, taking back, and environmentally safe disposal of electrical and electronic equipment. It obligates manufacturers and importers to have any products concerned registered at the EAR (national register for waste electrical and electronic equipment), label them accordingly and provide evidence of an insolvency-proof financing guarantee. The registration number is also to be quoted in the written business correspondence.

The Supplier confirms that electrical and electronic equipment will only be delivered to Conrad if it has been duly registered at the EAR (national register for waste electrical and electronic equipment) with the category, device type and brand valid for the product beforehand.

### **Manufacturers and importers who do not get registered may no longer place electrical and electronic equipment on the market!**

According to the Closed Substance Cycle Act of 1 June 2012, we are required to collect the following information from you:

#### **Registration with EAR:**

- Registration number provided, WEEE reg. no. DE .....
- Registration was carried out for types of electronic equipment for use in private households (B2C)
- Not applicable, no registration necessary.

Reasons: .....

## **3. Restricted Substances – RoHS Directive 2011/65/EU and (EU) 2015/863**

Electrical and electronic equipment including cables and spare parts may only be placed on the market if the permissible maximum concentrations for the substances declared are not exceeded.

Conrad expects its suppliers delivering electrical devices and components to comply with all safety measures stipulated by the Act on the Limitation of the Usage of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (ElektroStoffV). Technical documentation and a management system are to be held available for this purpose.

If an exception pursuant to Directive 2011/65/EU / ElektroStoffV Annex III and IV and/or (EU) 2015/863 is used, the Supplier is to inform Conrad of this in writing.

- The Supplier thus issues legally binding confirmation that the current version of the RoHS regulation in each case is complied with and observed.
- If the products to be delivered do not meet RoHS requirements, the Supplier will inform Conrad Electronic SE in writing.
- Not applicable because:  
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## **4. Chemical substances in consumer products**

(REACH Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006)

The new EU chemicals regulation REACH (**R**egistration, **E**valuation, **A**uthorisation and **R**estriction of **C**hemicals) was passed at the end of December 2006 and became effective on 1 June 2007. REACH will replace over 40 existing directives and regulations.

The core of the new regulation is the registration and evaluation of over 30,000 chemical substances. Companies that produce or import chemicals are obligated to evaluate the risks involved with the use and to take measures to control the risks they have identified. The regulation affects not only the chemical industry but also the import trade.

If one or more of the conditions below apply, the manufacturer/importer is to register the relevant substance with the European Chemicals Agency in Helsinki (ECHA) or it is obliged to provide information regarding the substances of very high concern.

- The Supplier imports or manufactures more than one tonne of a **substance** per year (e.g. lead, cadmium, nickel, PCP) or uses this substance in a **preparation** (e.g. oils, sprays, paints, fog fluid, etc.).
- The Supplier imports or manufactures a **product** that contains a total quantity of more than one tonne of a **substance** per year (see previous point) AND this substance is **released intentionally** (e.g. scented oils, ink cartridges, etc.).
- The Supplier imports or manufactures a **product** in which the total quantity of **substances of very high concern** used is more than a tonne per year AND the concentration of this substance is **more than 0.1% of the mass of the object**. The Candidate List of the substances of very high concern can be found on the ECHA website at: <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>.
- Objects which are regarded as products are, for example, all electrical/electronic devices such as computers, telephones, car radios, toys, etc., tools (screwdrivers, drills, etc.) and also components (screws, resistors, transformers, etc.) and their packaging.
- The Supplier ensures that the products delivered to the trader do not contain polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) or if so, only to the permitted amount. Furthermore, the Supplier affirms that the currently valid version will always be applied regarding PAH and that the goods delivered to Conrad therefore meet the statutory requirements.
- For mixtures/preparations (blends, mixtures or solutions which consist of two or more substances), safety data sheets pursuant to Article 31 are required. In this regard, new evaluation and labelling regulations in accordance with CLP and GHS are also to be considered.

The Supplier confirms to Conrad that it will provide safety data sheets in the currently valid version without being requested to do so. Conrad will publish these safety data sheets for its customers via the online shop.

**Non-compliance with the Regulation may lead to considerable legal problems with the authorities. This may involve the following consequences: sales bans; retrieval of goods from end customers; fines, etc.; Conrad therefore requests that the Supplier introduce the necessary measures for implementing the REACH Regulation carefully and in good time.**

The Supplier thus issues legally binding confirmation that the current version of the REACH Regulation in each case is complied with and observed.

Furthermore, the Supplier will provide safety data sheets (SDS) within 7 days and/or information regarding substances contained in products (Art. 33 REACH Regulation) within 30 days at Conrad's request.

Supplier's REACH compliance officer:

Mr/Ms ..... Tel. ....

Not applicable because:

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### **5. Ban on persistent organic pollutants (POP)**

Regulation (EU)2019/1021 POP & amendments bans or at least restricts the manufacture, placing on the market, and use of certain substances (see Regulation) in preparations or as components of articles. The manufacturer (supplier/importer) responsible in terms of the law has the responsibility to comply with the Regulation in its current form in each case including any deadlines set.

### **6. Law on the environmentally compatible design of products relevant to energy consumption**

- Regulation (EU) 2017/1369 (Energy-Using Products Directive, Ecodesign Directive)
- German Act on Products Relevant to Energy Consumption (EVPG)
- German Act on Energy Consumption Labelling (EnVKG)
- Energy Consumption Labelling Regulation (EnVKV)

Conrad expects the products relevant to energy consumption which are delivered by its suppliers to meet the relevant ecodesign requirements (standards, measures, labelling, etc.) and that it will also be provided with the technical documentation necessary in this regard.

The Supplier thus issues legally binding confirmation that the products delivered to Conrad comply with the applicable version of the above directives in each case.

Not applicable because:

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## **7. Chemicals**

The use, sale, packaging and labelling of chemicals is regulated by numerous legal provisions at both national and European level (statutes, regulations, directives, standards, ...). These are statutes or directives which already ban certain chemical substances (bans on substances).

The Supplier issues legally binding confirmation that the products delivered to Conrad comply with the following directives (bans on substances) in the version applicable in each case.

- German Chemicals Act (ChemG)** Act concerning the protection against hazardous substances - The version of the German Chemicals Act applicable in each case is known and complied with.
- German Ban on Chemicals Ordinance (ChemVerbotsV)** The version of the ordinance concerning bans and restrictions on the placing on the market of hazardous substances, preparations and products according to the German Chemicals Act (German Ban on Chemicals Ordinance) applicable in each case is known and complied with.
- Directive 94/62/EC** and amendments (EU) 2015/720 The version of the directive concerning packaging and packaging waste applicable in each case is known and complied with.
- Not applicable because:  
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## **8. Work safety and health (business/staff) German works council constitution act (BetrVG), German regulations on workplaces (ArbStättV), provisions of the German trade association (BGV), etc.**

If precautions and plans are in place at the Supplier's premises concerning the following risks, please answer the following questions as well:

### **8.1. Precautions or plans are in place with regard to health and safety:**

- Fire/Explosions
- Natural disasters
- Physical risks at machines, such as repeated physical stress, noise, etc.
- Chemical / Biological risks
- Supplier's staff know of these risks
- There is up-to-date safety information available for all products

### **8.2. Precautions or plans are in place with regard to the environment:**

- Emissions into the air and outflows into water in accordance with statutory provisions and existing permits
- Internal procedural methods ensure that the statutory provisions with regard to hazardous waste are complied with
- Consumption of raw materials is checked regularly and measures are taken to reduce this
- Impacts on the environment are considered when products and services are developed

## **9. Statutes, regulations, directives, standards and approvals**

Furthermore, the products to be delivered comply with the following statutes, regulations, directives, standards and approvals:

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## **10. Sales packaging – German Act on Packaging (VerpackG)**

According to the German Act on Packaging (VerpackG), the manufacturer, supplier or trader is obligated to take back sales packaging from the consumer and to ensure that it can be re-used or recycled outside the system of public waste disposal. In order to guarantee disposal for the consumer such as would be carried out in a household, manufacturers, suppliers or traders are obligated to participate in one or more returns systems. In addition, the supplier / distributor / manufacturer (importers are considered manufacturers in terms of the law) must register at the “zentrale Stelle Verpackungsregister” [packaging register, central office] (register of manufacturers/LUCID) and do so before offering or selling goods.

The Supplier has a Disposal Contract with: .....

Contract no. (disposal company): .....

Registration number (LUCID): .....

- The Supplier is registered in the “register of manufacturers” (LUCID).
- A letter of confirmation regarding the contract with the disposal company is enclosed.
- The Supplier issues legally binding confirmation that it complies with the version of the German Act on Packaging that is applicable in each case.
- Not applicable because:  
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## **11. German Batteries Act (BattG)**

Act on the distribution, return and environmentally friendly disposal of batteries and rechargeable batteries (German Batteries Act [BattG])

This applies to all types of batteries, independent of form, size, weight, substance composition or use. It also applies to batteries which are installed in or added to other products.

### Announcement of market participation (registration)

In future, all manufacturers and importers (or initial distributors) must register as market participants with the central register set up at the German Environment Agency (UBA).

### Obligation to accept returns

Manufacturers and importers of equipment batteries must participate in a joint returns system.

### Ban on heavy metals

The placing on the market of batteries containing more than 0.0005 weight per cent of mercury and equipment batteries containing more than 0.002 weight per cent of cadmium is prohibited.

### Labelling obligation

Manufacturers and importers are obligated to label vehicle and equipment batteries with a visible, legible and indelible capacity specification and attach the disposal symbol (crossed out waste bin) before they are placed on the market for the first time.

The Supplier has a Disposal Contract with: .....

Contract no.: .....

Registration number provided, Batt reg. no. DE: .....

- A copy of the contract is enclosed.
- The Supplier is registered in the central register at the German Environment Agency.
- The Supplier issues legally binding confirmation that the version of the German Batteries Act that is valid in each case is complied with.
- Not applicable, as no batteries/rechargeable batteries are included in the delivery.

The Supplier confirms the following:

- That the versions of points 1 to 11 applicable in each case (as far as this concerns statutes, regulations, directives and standards, etc.) are observed and complied with.
- It will always find out about the current status of the statutes, regulations, directives and standards, etc., and suitable measures will be introduced immediately if necessary.
- It will bear all costs incurred to Conrad due to non-compliance with points 1 to 11 – this also applies to any retesting required (laboratory costs).
- It shall inform Conrad in writing of products which do not meet the requirements of points 1 to 11.

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