

Statement on Conflict Minerals



The Dodd-Frank Act in the USA obligates companies to disclose the origin of certain raw materials to prevent that so-called “conflict minerals” such as tin, tungsten, tantalum, and gold (3TG) from the Democratic Republic of Congo or neighboring states enter their products through the supply chain. European Union Regulation (EU) 2017/821, which entered into force on January 1, 2021, stipulates an expanded duty for companies to perform human rights due diligence for the 3TG that includes all global conflict and high-risk regions.

Using a structured survey process, we verify that our suppliers and their upstream suppliers are only obtaining materials which do not originate from conflict regions. Confirmations are documented centrally in the respective material/supplier combinations in our database.

Our requirements regarding conflict minerals are clearly communicated in our Supplier Code of Conduct. Covestro has obtained confirmations of compliance as regards conflict minerals from 100% of the suppliers from whom it actively purchases and who were identified as potentially affected by this issue. We update a list of potentially affected suppliers on an ongoing basis, and monitor the validity of all existing supplier confirmations. To date, there have been no critical results and no need for action regarding this issue.

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