

Conflict Minerals

Policy Statement

Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act

In July 2010 Sec. 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act enacted supply chain reporting requirements on publicly traded companies. The requirements deal with the use of "conflict minerals" (tantalum, tin, gold and tungsten) that directly or indirectly finance or benefit armed groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or an adjoining country.

Bürkle GmbH does not purchase these minerals directly from smelters or mines, so we must rely on the information provided by our suppliers. Our General Purchasing Conditions reinforce this Conflict Minerals Policy Statement. By accepting our General Purchasing Conditions, the suppliers warrant to inform Bürkle GmbH about products that contain conflict minerals.

If Bürkle GmbH becomes aware of a supplier whose supply chain includes conflict minerals, we will take all necessary actions to remedy the situation immediately and to reappraise the supplier relationship. We expect our suppliers to take similar actions with their suppliers to control the complete supply chain.

Bürkle GmbH is committed to sourcing components and materials from companies that share our values around human rights, ethics and environmental responsibility. We expect all of our suppliers to abide by the requirements of our Code of Conduct, our Code of Corporate Social Responsibility, which prohibits human rights abuses and unethical practices.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Saint-Denis".

Bad Bellingen, April 6, 2017
Martin Saint-Denis
Managing Director

