



PROTEGO® Regulation on Conflict Minerals

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On January 1, 2021, Regulation (EU) no. 2017/821 on conflict minerals entered into force. Currently tin, tantalum, tungsten, their ores as well as gold (3TG for short) are considered conflict minerals. Companies that import one or more of the substances concerned into the EU must therefore fulfill extensive obligations regarding due diligence and testing along the entire supply chain. The aim of this measure is to curb funding of violence and human rights violations in conflict-affected and high-risk areas. The EU regulation is the European response to the U.S. Dodd-Frank Act, which has been in effect since August 22, 2021 and requires U.S. companies listed on the stock exchange to disclose whether their products contain 3TGs sourced from conflict-affected regions in the Democratic Republic of Congo or its neighboring states. In addition, proof must be brought forth that the minerals in question were mined in a „conflict-free“ manner.

Braunschweiger Flammenfilter GmbH, as well as all their subsidiaries place great emphasis on their social, corporate and ecological responsibility. The basis for this is our Code of Conduct for suppliers. We expect our business partners, in particular our suppliers, to adhere to the applicable regulations and requirements.

Given that at Braunschweiger Flammenfilter GmbH we do not purchase minerals directly, we can only assume responsibility together with our suppliers. In order to curb both the mining and trading of minerals from conflict-affected and high-risk areas, we fully support the EU regulation on conflict minerals as part of our voluntary due diligence.

In this context, we require all suppliers who supply us with products containing conflict minerals to provide, without exception, a fully completed „Conflict Minerals Reporting Template“ (CMRT).

You hereby acknowledge receipt of the PROTEGO® Regulation on Conflict Minerals and its consideration for future deliveries.



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