

Conflict materials/Section 1502 Dodd-Frank Act (US)
Statement on the conflict-free status of 3TG material

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has been implementing the Dodd-Frank Act from 2010 since 22 August 2012. Section 1502 of this Act now requires companies to refrain from using and trading in raw materials from conflict regions (Democratic Republic of the Congo and adjoining countries). This concerns the 3TG materials (tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold) and their derivatives. This Act requires US listed companies to inform the SEC annually about the possible use of 3TG materials.

OTT-JAKOB Spanntechnik GmbH is a medium-sized company and is not subject to SEC supervision and, as such, does not have any legal obligations to comply with the requirements of Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act. We are, however, fully aware that as a direct or indirect supplier of such companies we do of course have a contribution to make to due diligence. The same is also required by our code of conduct regarding human rights, the environment and health.

OTT-JAKOB Spanntechnik GmbH will not knowingly use any 3TG materials from non-certified smelters from the conflict region in its products. As a manufacturer of clamping technology products, we do not carry out any direct imports of the above-mentioned materials and thus do not have any direct influence over the origin of materials used by our suppliers.

Our suppliers are, however, required by us to source the potential 3TG material content in the products supplied to us exclusively from conflict-free regions, certified mines/smelters or recycling.

Based on our latest information, obtained from material analysis and corresponding confirmations from our suppliers, we can assume that our products do not contain any 3TG materials and that the raw materials do not originate from the above-mentioned crisis region.

We intend to improve transparency and traceability, especially in the complicated field of electronic components, by making further enquiries of our suppliers.

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