

Conflict Minerals Policy

The term 'conflict minerals' refers to the metal tantalum (columbite-tantalite), tin (cassiterite), tungsten (wolframite) and gold from the Democratic Republic of Congo and its neighboring countries. These metals are also referred to as the 3TG.

Trading 3TG from the Democratic Republic of Congo and its neighboring states enables armed conflict and human rights abuses. The U.S. Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Customer Protection Act, Section 1502 and SEC regulations require disclosure of the use of 3TG and transparency within the supply chain. The idea behind this is to end armed conflicts and heed international law.

The intent of this policy is to achieve responsible sourcing within our global supply chain and to ensure that certain metals used in our products are sourced in an ethical manner that benefits the local communities from which they are extracted.

SM Contact is committed to conducting its business in an ethical and sustainable manner and applies its high standards of ethical conduct and compliance with applicable laws in procurement practices.

SM Contact is constantly working on further increasing transparency in the supply chain ensuring conflict-free mining of the 3TG that we use in our products.

SM Contact expects its suppliers to adopt policies and management systems with respect to conflict minerals and requires their suppliers to adopt similar policies and systems. Compliance to these requirements will be taken into consideration when selecting and retaining suppliers.

SM Contact's Commitment

In order to ensure that it does not use materials or components from dubious sources, SM Contact undertakes to:

- Identify in good time, which SM Contact products are affected by the conflict minerals legislation and orientate our compliance measures accordingly.
- Source conflict minerals exclusively from compliant melts (in accordance with the Responsible Minerals Initiative).
- Contribute to conflict-free trade by encouraging our suppliers to use compliant 3TG sources.

Information about the 3TGs used by SM Contact is disclosed in the form of a Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT), which is prepared based on feedback from relevant suppliers and made available on the SM Contact website [Downloads | SM Contact](#).

Expectations for suppliers

SM Contact specifically expects its suppliers to do the following:

- Abide by this Conflict Minerals policy (or by their own Conflicts Mineral policy, if based upon the same principles) and extend it to their supply chains.
- Implement an inquiry process to support this Policy and respond in a timely manner to SM Contact's information requests.
- Report in a timely manner on matters related to Conflict Minerals through the communication channels and formats established by SM Contact.

This statement has been adopted and approved by SM Contact, including all our subsidiaries, on 30/12/2021.

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Christophe Roshardt
CEO of SM Contact