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Documentation technique pour l'évaluation des produits électriques et électroniques par rapport à la restriction des substances dangereuses

Technische Dokumentation zur Beurteilung von Elektro- und Elektronikgeräten hinsichtlich der Beschränkung gefährlicher Stoffe

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Foreword

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Introduction

Certain substances contained in electrical and electronic products are restricted by legislation and/or customer specifications. Manufacturers of final products therefore need to be able to demonstrate that their products meet the applicable substance restrictions.

For those restrictions that apply at the "homogeneous material" level, it is impractical for manufacturers of complex products to undertake their own testing of all materials contained in the final assembled product. Instead, manufacturers work with their suppliers to manage compliance and compile technical documentation as evidence of compliance. This approach is well recognised by both industry and enforcement authorities.

The aim of this European Standard is to specify the technical documentation that the manufacturer needs to compile in order to declare compliance with the applicable substance restrictions. In this way, this European Standard supports Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2011 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS).

This European Standard can also find an application in demonstrating conformity to other substance regulations worldwide.

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