

RoHS & WEEE DIRECTIVE COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

RoHS DIRECTIVE:

The RoHS directive comes in to force from July 2006. In short the directive bans the following chemicals from being used in certain electrical and electronics equipment:

RoHS specifies maximum levels for the following six restricted materials:

- **Cadmium (Cd):** 100 ppm
- **Mercury (Hg):** 100 ppm
- **Lead (Pb):** 1000 ppm
- **Polybrominated Biphenyls (PBB):** 1000 ppm
- **Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers (PBDE):** 1000 ppm
- **Hexavalent Chromium (CrVI):** 1000 ppm

RoHS Product Compliance Categories

The following product categories are impacted under the RoHS Directive:

1. Large household appliances: refrigerators, washers, stoves, air conditioners
2. Small household appliances: vacuum cleaners, hair dryers, coffee makers, irons
3. Computing & communications equipment: computers, printers, copiers, phones
4. Consumer electronics: TVs, DVD players, stereos, video cameras
5. Lighting: lamps, lighting fixtures, light bulbs
6. Power tools: drills, saws, nail guns, sprayers, lathes, trimmers, blowers
7. Toys and sports equipment: videogames, electric trains, treadmills
8. Automatic dispensers: vending machines, ATM machines

The following products are currently exempt from RoHS compliance:

1. Large stationary industrial tools
2. **Control and monitoring equipment**
3. National security use and military equipment
4. Medical devices
5. Some light bulbs and some batteries
6. Spare parts for electronic equipment in the market before July 1, 2006.

Our position:

Equipment manufactured and supplied by Amelec fall into Control and monitoring equipment, category 9 as listed in Annex IA of WEEE directive and therefore are exempt from RoHS directive. There are many reasons for this category's exclusion, one that we share our views with is the impact on reliability and so called whiskering phenomenon from using Tin only solder. For more details on this visit www.sourceesb.com.

We fully support RoHS directive that help reduce Health risk and damage to the environment, however after digesting information for and against published in the press on RoHS and also taking into consideration our customers views and concerns, our policy is to continue using Tin/Lead based solder and will only change if the directive make it a requirement for our type of products. We will meet parts of RoHS requirement that does not impact the quality / reliability of our products.

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Waste Electrical and Electronics Equipment (WEEE) (2002/96/EC) DIRECTIVE:

The intention of this directive is to encourage recycling of Electrical and Electronics equipment to reduce unnecessary waste. It makes manufactures responsible to facilitate safe disposal of its supplied equipment after end of its use.

We will provide such facility with following conditions:

1. The returned item must have been supplied by us.
2. All items must be returned fully paid.
3. Item returned must be certified safe to handle by an authorised person.
4. Cover letter authorising us to dispose the returned item. The letter must state all serial numbers.

All products supplied by us that are subject to WEEE directive shall carry the following mark.



Alternatively it may be more convenient to use your own company facility to dispose the item in accordance with the WEEE directive.

For more information, please contact our technical sales staff at the factory in Milton Keynes.

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