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Reminder: Expiry on 22.07.2014 of the transition period for compliance with the ROHS restrictions on the use of materials for medical appliances, monitoring and control appliances

On 1 July 2011, the European Commission published the revised version of the ROHS guideline 2011/65/EU, to be implemented in national legislation by 2 January 2013. Following a defined transition period, appliances which were not included in the scope of the original guideline 2002/95/EG, or were initially exempted from the materials restrictions (such as medical products or monitoring and control appliances), will also be subject to the requirements for materials to which certain restrictions apply (lead, cadmium, quicksilver, chrome VI, PBB, PBDE).

This transition period for medical appliances, monitoring and control appliances ends on 22.07.2014 (whereby the transition period for industrially-used monitoring and control appliances applies for further three years until 22.07.2017).

From this point in time it must be ensured that all electric and electronic appliances, including cables and replacement parts used for repairs, re-use, updating of functions or enhancement of performance do not contain any substances specified in Appendix II (lead, cadmium, mercury, chrome VI, PBB, PBDE).

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