

The EU Conflict Minerals Regulation (EU) 2017/821

Dear Sir, dear Madam,

We thank you for your query regarding the EU Conflict Minerals Regulation.

The EU Conflict Minerals Regulation shall prevent the use of "conflict minerals", mined from conflict-affected and high-risk areas.

The relevant materials are tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold, also known as 3TG.

The alloying elements tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold are not referenced in the relevant norms for fasteners such as ISO 898-1 and ISO 3506-1 and are therefore not intentionally present. The same applies to anti-corrosion coatings such as zinc plating (ISO 4042), zinc laminated coatings (ISO 10683) and hot-dip galvanizing (ISO 10684).

Bossard offers fasteners of carbon steel, stainless steel and non-ferrous metals like copper, brass, aluminum etc. The fastener manufactures and we as a retailer buy from the world market, but not from conflict-affected and high-risk areas.

We strive for as much sustainability and transparency as possible for our products and their ingredients and to the best of our knowledge our parts do not contain alloying elements from conflict-affected and high-risk areas.

Best regards,

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Quality Management

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