

RoHS Declaration of Conformity

Andernach & Bleck and its pre-material suppliers take the following position on the EU End-of-Life Vehicles Directive 2000/53/EC:

- 1. The raw material suppliers inform us:
 - a) Chromium (VI) compounds are not contained in steel.
 - b) The elements Cd and Hg are not specifically added during steel production and only occur, if at all, in traces in the PPM range.
 - c) Pb is also only contained in traces, with the exception of lead-alloyed grades.

For Pb-alloyed steel grades, the prescribed limit content of 0.35% (EU End-of-Life Vehicles Directive, Article 4, Paragraph 2, Annex II) is complied with.

2. Andernach & Bleck does not use any galvanic coatings with Cr(VI) components or halogenated flame retardants in the production of bright steel.

Under the above conditions, the EU End-of-Life Vehicles Directive is complied with at the time of delivery of the bright steel.

Andernach & Bleck, supported by the pre-material suppliers, comments on Directive 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 as follows:

According to Article 4 of the "Directive on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment", the aim is to ensure that electrical and electronic equipment placed on the market from 1 July 2006 does not contain lead, mercury, cadmium or hexavalent chromium and that various polybrominated organic compounds are not used. Paragraph 2 refers to the exemptions listed in the Annex, which also include steel with a permissible alloy content of up to 0.35% lead.

Our raw material suppliers confirm that the steel grades supplied to Andernach & Bleck do not exceed the above-mentioned limit value. Andernach & Bleck also checks compliance with the limit content by means of regular spot checks using piece analyses.

Mercury and cadmium occur in steel only in trace amounts (below the limit values of 2000/53/EC of 27 June 2002) and are not part of the above directive in the form of steel companions.

Andernach & Bleck does not use hexavalent chromium or polybrominated organic compounds in the production and processing of bright steel.

To summarise, we have established that our products do not contain any substances in concentrations that are prohibited under Directive 2002/95/EC at the time of delivery.

Addition: Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS 2) initially updated the limit values and exemptions for steel in line with Directive 2002/95/EC.

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