

Conflict Minerals Policy

The term „Conflict minerals“ refers to minerals or their derivatives (specifically: tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold, alias 3TG) sourced from mines in the eastern provinces of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) as well as in the adjoining countries, where the income arising from the sale of 3TG minerals directly or indirectly finances armed forces causing serious social and environmental damage through civil wars.

The following minerals and their derivatives are subject to the Dodd-Frank Act (Status 01.01.2013): columbite-tantalite (coltan) / cassiterite / wolframite / gold.

The aim of these rules is to reduce the trafficking of conflict minerals originating from mines of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) or from bordering countries and thus to avoid financing armed conflicts in the area.

Contelec is fully aware of its social responsibility for a respectful treatment of the environment as well as for safety, health and human rights and its business decisions focus on sustainable activities.

Respecting laws as well as internal rules is the basis of our integrity and is essential for our business.

We ourselves do not directly import any minerals and therefore no so-called conflict raw materials.

For our products we do not knowingly use any conflict minerals sourced from smelting plants located in conflict areas and which are not certified. Our suppliers are therefore required to ensure they incorporate materials for our products exclusively from conflict-free or certified smelters

Our supply sources solely consist of qualified and notable suppliers. To the best of our knowledge, these suppliers are not using any conflict material originating from the Democratic Republic of Congo or from one of the adjoining countries.

However, we cannot issue an absolute guarantee in this respect.

We ask for your understanding that the current situation does not enable us to fill in any questionnaires or to complete records in customer's databases on this subject.

In case there are any further questions regarding this topic, we kindly ask you to contact us. (www.contelec.ch / info@contelec.ch).