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Statement on the current status of RoHS- Exemptions

The 2011/65/EU (RoHS) directive with the extension 2015/863 bans the use of certain substances in electrical and electronic equipment, but also allows for certain exemptions.

The exemptions apply where it is technically and economically (socio-economically) impossible to replace the restricted substance, such as lead, with a suitable alternative. In this case, the exemptions only apply to certain applications of the restricted substance in limited concentrations.

The exemptions are under constant review by the European Commission (EC) as to whether they will be extended or whether technical developments have produced socio-economic substitutes in the meantime.

By July 2021, some of the exemptions that are important for Würth Elektronik eiSos GmbH & Co. KG will be reanalyzed - in some cases, with a yet uncertain outcome.

Applications for extensions were submitted on time for all exemptions relating to the components of Würth Elektronik eiSos. These extension applications are now being reviewed by the European Commission. It is becoming apparent that this review may take longer than previously assumed, which was by July 2021. If the EC decides that the exemptions are no longer valid, there will still be between 12 and 18 months to replace the materials. This means there is still time for the entire supply chain to react. If the EC decides to extend the exemptions again, they will remain valid for several years.

Würth Elektronik eiSos is aware that RoHS exemptions are constantly under review and works continuously to comply with material laws. We are aware that components without hazardous substances are the best solution for all parties in the supply chain.

As soon as an alternative is available, we will inform about the material change via the standard change process (PCN/PTN).

All components of Würth Elektronik that claim exemptions can be taken from the following list:

[Part List RoHS Exemptions](#)

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