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Constituents of products – supplementary requirements to Kärcher standard for certain products

Dear Sir/Madam

The requirements relating to the environmental properties of products are becoming continually more demanding – all over the world. Legal requirements and customer demands are imposing ever tighter restrictions on certain materials. We have therefore defined the following supplementary requirements for certain products: these requirements go beyond those given in the Kärcher Standard KäN 050.032.

- 1. Free from PVC
- 2. Phthalate free
- 3. Free from halogenated flame retardants

These supplementary requirements must be adhered to where the following advice appears on the drawing or other order documentation:

Important. Observe supplementary requirements for special products A

Please be sure to take note of the following points:

New from Catalog 2 The limit value for "free" is deemed to be not the usual value of 0.1% for each single phthalate or each single halogenated flame retardant, but 0,1% for the sum of all phthalates or all halogenated flame retardants. For the laminate of printed wiring boards the limit value for halogenated flame retardants is 0,09% in total.

The reference value is always deemed to be the individual homogenous material, e.g. the insulation of the cable and not the entire cable.

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The ban on phthalates and halogenated flame retardants relates not only to legally regulated materials, but also to all phthalates and all halogenated flame retardants. Of course, other phthalate-free plasticizing agents and other halogen-free flame retardants may be used if necessary.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like any further details.

Many thanks for your support.

With best wishes

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