QF 6.2.1 A - Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2012/19/EU



and

EU Restriction Of Hazardous Substances Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS 2)

The objective of the WEEE directive is to minimise the impact on the environment from electrical and electronic equipment both during their use and when they become waste.

The Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS2), which accompanies the WEEE Directive, is concerned with the banning the use of hazardous substances, which are lead, cadmium, mercury, Hexavalent chromium and the flame retardants PBB (Polybrominated biphenyls) and PBDE (Polybrominated diphenyl ethers), Including Deca-BDE, Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), Butyl benzyl phthalate (BBP), Dibutyl phthalate (DBP) Diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP) in the manufacture of electrical products and their components.

There is, however, provision for a percentage trace levels that may be present. Mercian Labels Limited converts selfadhesive label products for various applications, some of which may be used on electrical & electronic equipment.

None of the ten aforementioned substances are used by the manufacturers of the labelstocks we use. However, there may be small trace amounts of those substances present. An analysis of heavy metal content has already been carried out by suppliers with regard to the Packaging Directive 94/62/EC. The results obtained showed that typical values for lead, cadmium, mercury and Hexavalent chromium are less than 15mg/kg (15pppm), in total.

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