

PFOS (Perfluorooctansulphonate)

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The basis for the law PFOS is the EG directive 2006/122/EG. The PFOS directive was published as the directive 2006/122/EG on 12. December 2006 in the official EU gazette. The directive came into power on 27. June 2008. The German conversion of this directive was carried out through the regulation for hazardous substances (GefStoffV) and the regulation for the prohibition of chemicals (ChemVerbotsV).

Because PFOS is regarded as persistent in the environment, bio accumulating and toxic, the aim of the directive is the introduction of harmonized legal requirements for PFOS, to guarantee that the home market is functioning and at the same time a high level of health and environmental conservation is ensured.

INGUN Prüfmittelbau GmbH regards this basic society aim as being both very worthwhile and indispensable. For this reason, all business decisions and actions of INGUN Prüfmittelbau GmbH are always reviewed in this regard.

The question that needs to be clarified, however, is whether Perfluorooctansulphonate (PFOS) is contained in the products which INGUN Prüfmittelbau GmbH introduces onto the market, or whether this lies above the allowed limits of the directive. In this regard, applicable processes have been installed at INGUN Prüfmittelbau GmbH, which ensure the surveillance of our products.

After intensive reviewing of the rulings and the analysis of our manufacturing processes, products and substances, we take the following standpoint:

Our products in the business divisions of „Test Probes“ and „Test Fixtures“ as well as their individual components and materials, do not pass through any manufacturing processes by which substances are used that state to contain PFOS.

In our business division „Test Fixtures“, only very few parts are purchased and assembled in our products, which have a decorative chrome coating as corrosion protection. For the manufacturing of these parts our suppliers have also confirmed that a PFOS-free galvanizing process is used.

On the basis of our present level of knowledge, we confirm that those products introduced onto the market do not contain Perfluorooctansulphonate (PFOS) or lie below the allowed limits defined in the directive, and therefore meet the demands of the directive 2006/122/EG.

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