

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

Free Statement

PFAS are defined as fluorinated substances containing at least one fully fluorinated methyl or methylene carbon atom (with no H/Cl/Br/I-atoms attached), i.e., with a few known exceptions, any substance containing at least one per fluorinated methyl group (-CF₃) or one per fluorinated methylene group (-CF₂-) is a PFAS. Because they or their degradation products are very persistent in the environment, they are also called eternity chemicals.

As part of the REACH restriction process, the European Union is moving towards banning the manufacture, use and marketing of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

The company Schaefer Elektronik GmbH is a manufacturer of power supplies, thus with respect to REACH, we are called a “downstream user”. The products we supply to our clientele are solely non-chemical products (goods). We are aiming to provide sustainable product solutions and providing responsible feedback to our business partners & customers. Schaefer Elektronik GmbH is committed to protecting the environment and complies with the applicable environmental regulations.

As far as can tell, following internal investigation, Schaefer Elektronik GmbH products do not intentionally contain Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) or Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE).

This information is based upon information provided to us by our suppliers of raw materials, chemicals and prepared material.

We understand that PFAS are persistent and bio-accumulative in the environment and generate adverse effect on human health. Therefore, we are in close contact with our suppliers of chemistry and prepared material to ensure our products continue to remain compliant.

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