

## **COUNTERFEIT, FRAUDULENT AND SUSPECT ITEMS (CFSI)**

Würth UK Ltd recognises that there may be risks concerning the supply of Counterfeit, Fraudulent and Suspect Items (CFSI) which could be unintentionally subsequently incorporated into our product(s). Many customers are now requiring their suppliers to implement processes to prevent this occurring.

Counterfeit/fraudulent material is material whose origin, age, composition, configuration, certification status or other characteristic (including whether or not the material has been used previously) has been falsely represented in any of the following ways:

- Misleading marking of the material, labelling or packaging.
- Misleading documentation.
- Any other means, including failing to disclose information.

To mitigate any risks, we have implemented a number of processes:

- Where ever possible, we purchase direct from manufacturers or suppliers who have been evaluated and approved under our integrated management system. We have carefully defined this criteria and apply it to all purchases.
- External certificated for ISO 9001, 14001 and 45001
- All materials and components are purchased to agreed specifications.
- Incoming product is accompanied by certification determined as applicable, which is checked against the original Purchase Order.
- Any non-conformance is raised with the supplier and material rejected and returned if necessary.

If any CFSI items are discovered within the Würth UK Ltd supply chain, we will notify our customers immediately so that they may cease the use of this item and inform any other parties which may be using them.

We aim to fully investigate and action any instances of CFSI items to further improve our controls and prevent re-occurrences.



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