

To whom it may concern

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Declaration on silicone-free materials

Dear Customer,

The requirement for "silicone-free" relates to applications in painting processes. The absence of substances that interfere with paint wetting (LABS), which also includes silicone, may be necessary in such areas of application. Components contaminated with LABS can lead to wetting problems and thus to surface defects in painting processes.

Beckhoff Automation products are usually used outside of paint processing production areas. When using operating materials, we pay attention to silicone-free release agents and adhesives that do not contain silicone oils. When purchasing components, care is taken to ensure that they are free of silicone, and our casting compounds have also been switched to silicone-free alternatives.

Some of our products may contain seals made of silicone rubber (VQM). The seals of the cable glands of our series AM8800 are made of VQM.

Beckhoff Automation cannot guarantee complete freedom from "LABS" or "silicone", as contamination by LABS can never be completely ruled out. In addition, there is no general ban on silicone-based materials for electrical and electronic products outside of the applications described. The performance characteristic for silicone rubbers for electronics in terms of good thermal and cold-flexible properties demonstrates material qualities that cannot be achieved by today's alternatives.

Best regards

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