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## **Declaration on Halogen Free Materials**

Halogens are a group of six chemical elements. Especially Fluorine, Bromine and Chlorine are applicable to electromechanical components while the latter two are widely used as flame retardants in plastics of electronic products.

In the case of regulated halogenated compounds with requirements for limit values, these are fulfilled insofar as a general prohibition or restriction applies. In general, suppliers of Beckhoff Automation commit themselves to comply with all applicable laws and regulations in force.

For parts which are purchased and directly incorporated into Beckhoff products, it is not possible to make a concrete statement on "halogen-free". Nevertheless, Beckhoff Automation confirms the use of non-halogenated flame retardants wherever possible. Thus, the plastic housings of our bus couplers and bus terminals are made of polycarbonate (PC) with halogen-free flame retardants according to IEC 61249-2-21. Accessory items such as sensor cables can be supplied with a PVC sheath. For our cables, information about "halogen-free" can be obtained from the product data sheets which are made available on the website for each product.

Besides halogen-free cable applications, there are no legal requirements for the use of halogen-free materials in electrical and electronic components so far. However, we are closely monitoring further developments on this topic and will react promptly if any modifications are necessary.

Best regards

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