



POSITION PAPER

CEIR Position regarding Directive 2011/65/EU on the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS 2)

(Applicable as from 2 January 2013)

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CEIR MEMBERS BEAR NO OBLIGATION UNDER THE NEW ROHS DIRECTIVE AS FROM 2 JANUARY 2013.

Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS 2)¹ introduces significant changes to Directive 2002/95/EC (RoHS 1) and opens its scope. Therefore, provisions of Directive 2011/65/EU are gradually applicable, depending on the category of equipment.

Equipment manufactured and marketed by CEIR members did not fall under the scope of the ROHS 1 Directive. CEIR members bear no obligation under the new RoHS Directive 2011/65/EU applicable from 2 January 2013.

¹ Official Journal of the European Union L 174, pages 88-110

In particular, in order to put their products on the European market², sanitaryware, valve and valve actuator manufacturers are not obliged to affix the CE marking and provide a declaration of conformity according to the RoHS 2 Directive.

CEIR wishes to emphasise that European taps and valves manufacturers produce and purchase electric and electronic components which are of high quality and environmentally friendly. They have therefore incorporated the RoHS principles into their design and manufacturing practices for a long time. Therefore, if required, CEIR members can provide products that respect the substance limitations provided for in the RoHS Directive, without adhering to the general obligations of the Directive.

CEIR will publish a more detailed position for the attention of its members concerning the new scope and applicability dates of the RoHS 2 Directive in due time.

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The European Taps and Valves Association (CEIR) was formed in 1959 as the European federation of national manufacturer associations. CEIR gathers together a large number of European manufacturers in the field of valves and fittings. CEIR supports the principles of a free economy and private enterprise in Europe as well as on a global basis. CEIR represents the common economic, technical and scientific interests of the European valve industries, in particular towards international authorities and economic and commercial circles.

² Other European Directives and/or Regulations may be applicable and foresee CE marking on such products