

## **RoHS and REACH Compliance Declaration (January 2023)**

Dear valued Columbia Research Labs, Inc. customer,

Columbia Research labs, Inc. (hereafter referred to as CRL) is dedicated to serving you by providing high quality electronic sensing products that meet environmental regulations, including RoHS 2 (Restrictions of Hazardous Substance) Directive, EU Directive 2011/65/EU (and subsequent amendments), the People's Republic of China requirements for concentration limits of certain hazardous substances in Electronic Information Products (China RoHS 2-

Standard SJ/T 1136-2014}, and REACH (Registration, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals, European Union Regulation (EC) 1907/2006}. We are providing you the following information to assist you in meeting your environmental policies and procedures.

All parts that CRL supplies may contain hazardous materials below the threshold in RoHS and REACH legislation. The environmental regulations change constantly. We will try our best to keep you abreast of changes that affect CRL

products by periodically updating this letter. Please refer to the current version of this letter on [www.crlsensors.com](http://www.crlsensors.com).

### **RoHS Compliance**

CRL has been producing parts that are RoHS compliant for the last several years. A majority of CRL products are RoHS compliant

**RoHS COMPLIANT** means that the substances restricted by the RoHS Directive (EU Directive 2002/95/EC and subsequent amendments) are not contained in a finished product above the threshold limits unless the restrictive substance is subject of an exemption contained in the RoHS Directive. CRL cannot guarantee that inventory held by the distributors or other third parties is RoHS compliant.

Military and certain CRL customers require parts that are not RoHS compliant. CRL produces these parts but their manufacturing, storage, and handling is completely segregated from the RoHS compliant parts to minimize contamination of the RoHS compliant products.

The compliance of CRL products with RoHS is affected through:

- Strictly controlling the materials and finishes that are used in our products.
- Periodic audits of our suppliers to ensure compliance.
- Periodic analysis, on an as-needed basis, of our products.

## **REACH Compliance**

In June 2007, the European Union Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) entered into force. This regulation establishes specific duties and obligations on companies in the European Union (EU) that manufacture or import substances on their own, in preparations, or in articles.

Under the structure of the REACH Regulation, CRL is a manufacturer and supplier of “articles” to our EU Customers. We do not manufacture, or supply “substances” or “preparations” and our articles do not involve the “intentional release of substances”. Accordingly, we foresee no registration or pre-registration requirement for the products we supply to you.

- CRL believes that even though REACH is an EU regulation, the CRL products are affected in all geographical regions. Therefore, CRL has done its due diligence to implement REACH on a worldwide basis.
- CRL is constantly monitoring the substance of very high concern (SVHC), as defined by REACH, in our products. This will be an on-going process since the complete list of SVHC’s will be released in stages.
- Customers are encouraged to visit the following site to get the most up-to-date information on current lists of SVHC’s under REACH: <https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>
- All of CRL products (articles) do not contain substances of very high concern (SVHC) above the threshold value declared as per ECHA (as of June 10,2022 listing).

We thank you for your continued support and understanding.

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