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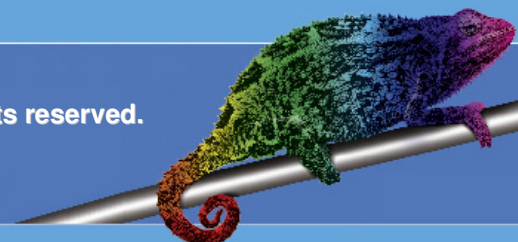
Programmable,  
**RGB**-backlit  
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## WEEE & RoHS COMPLIANCE UPDATE

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment & Restrictions of certain Hazardous Substances

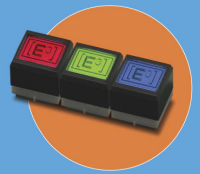
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## Commitment

The management and staff of [E<sup>3</sup>] Engstler Elektronik Entwicklung GmbH are committed to implementing the requirements of the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) and the Restriction of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) directives.

## WEEE Compliance

[E<sup>3</sup>] is registered with the Stiftung Elektro-Altgeräte Register (<http://www.stiftung-ear.de/>) under registration number **DE56067191** for category 3 *information and telecommunications technology* and product type *professional goods*.

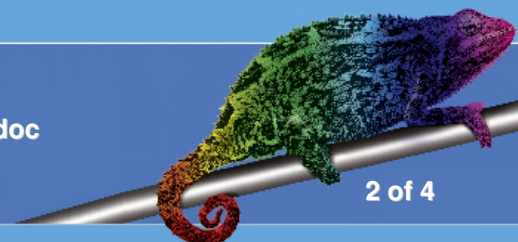
All SA, SI and SM switches as well as SP and SL accessories fall under the component category and are, therefore, exempted from the requirements of the WEEE.

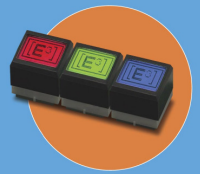
All DS and CP products are b2b professional products not intended for household use.

This determination by [E<sup>3</sup>] is based on a careful review of the applicable law and application of the required tests in accordance with the German act governing the sale, return and environmentally sound disposal of electrical and electronic equipment (Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act or ElektroG).

(source: Bundesministerium fuer Umwelt, Naturschutz und Reaktorsicherheit (BMU), Hinweise zum Anwendungsbereich ElektroG, 3 Spezielle Abgrenzungsaefaele, 24. Juni 2005, Seite 15)

For more information please visit [http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/waste/weee\\_index.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/waste/weee_index.htm).






## RoHS Compliance

We are working diligently with our vendors and suppliers to ensure that all our products will be RoHS compliant within the timescales set out in the Restriction of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) directive.

All necessary dispositions have been taken in relation with suppliers to ensure that constitutive materials do not include any substance forbidden by the regulation currently applicable on the market.

As of December 2005 all component materials have been reviewed with respect to RoHS compliance and we are in the final process of obtaining RoHS compliance letters from all our vendors.

## RoHS Implementation

In accordance with the applicable laws and regulations, all products shipped after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 will be fully RoHS compliant products. Fully compliant products will maintain their article codes and will be traceable through the product serial number and the  symbol will be marked on the packaging.

Upon request and subject to confirmation, [E<sup>3</sup>] will accept orders for RoHS compliant products beginning in March 2006.

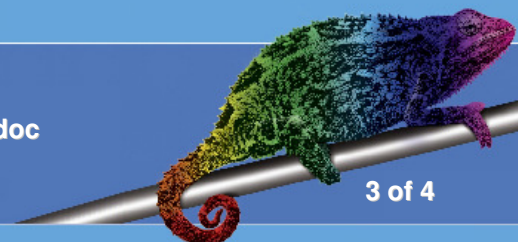
The following compliance statement will be added to our invoices of RoHS compliant products delivered prior to the July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006:

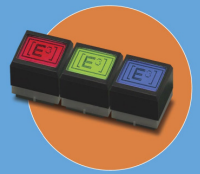
**Our components supplied to you do not contain – according to our knowledge – substances in concentrations above the maximum concentration values allowed in Directive 2002/95/EC ("RoHS").**

(source: Zentralverband Elektrotechnik- und Elektronikindustrie (ZVEI) e. V., Sept. 2005, RoHS-compliant ? Guideline for the communication along the supply chain about compliance to substance-related requirements of the directive 2002/95/EC (RoHS), page 3, retrieved from [http://www.zvei.org/fileadmin/user\\_upload/Technik\\_Umwelt/Elektro\\_Elektronikaltgeraete/RoHS-compliant\\_EN\\_final\\_20050901.pdf#search=Annex%20IA%20to%20Directive%20No%202002%2F96%2FEC%20%28WEEE%29](http://www.zvei.org/fileadmin/user_upload/Technik_Umwelt/Elektro_Elektronikaltgeraete/RoHS-compliant_EN_final_20050901.pdf#search=Annex%20IA%20to%20Directive%20No%202002%2F96%2FEC%20%28WEEE%29) on Dec. 27, 2005)

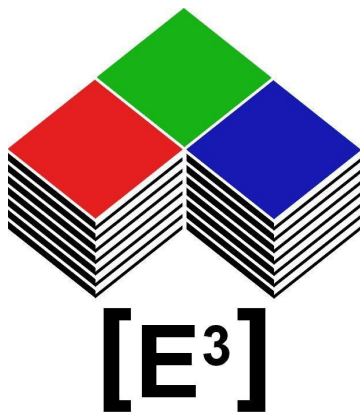
## Further Information

Please visit our website at [www.e3-keys.com](http://www.e3-keys.com) for up-to-date compliance information.





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