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**Prior notice of Audio-Technica Group Environmental
Quality Standards for Products 10th Edition**

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In September 2024, Audio-Technica Group Environmental Quality Standards for Products will be revised, and the 10th edition will be published. The details of the planned revisions are provided in the attached document. After the revision, the operation will start immediately. Please contact the procurement office of each branch if you are using the product in excess of the threshold.

Please note that the revisions described in this document may be revised in accordance with the enforcement status of laws and regulations. In that case, we will notify you again when the revised version is issued.

【Planned Revisions】

Change in control level

Control level	Name of substance	Target application	Criterion/threshold value
Changed from "Controlled" to "Prohibited"	1,6,7,8,9,14,15,16,17,17,18,18-Dodecachloropentacyclo [12.2.1.16,9.02,13.05,10] octadeca-7,15-diene ("Dechlorane Plus"™)	All applications	Intentionally added or 0.0001wt% (1 ppm, 1000 ppb) in article or mixture
Changed from "Controlled" to "Prohibited"	2-(2 <i>H</i> -benzotriazol-2yl)-4,6-ditertpentylphenol (UV-328)	All applications	Intentionally added or 0.001wt% (10 ppm) in article or mixture

Change in target and criterion/threshold value

Control level	Name of substance	Target application	Criterion/threshold value
Prohibited	Perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) and its salts	All applications	Intentionally added or 0.0000025wt% (25ppb) of PFOS including its salts in article or mixture
Prohibited	Lead	Batteries	0.01wt% (100 ppm) of lead in a battery

Addition

Control level	Name of substance	Target application	Criterion/threshold value
Prohibited	Hexavalent chromium compounds	Natural leather products and parts in contact with skin	0.0003wt% (3ppm) of total Cr ⁶⁺ in dry weight of the leather

Additional substance

Control level	Name of substance	Target application	Criterion/threshold value
Prohibited	Mineral oil aromatic hydrocarbons (MOAH) comprising from 1 to 7 aromatic rings	Packaging components and materials, Printed materials	0.1wt% (1000ppm) in ink
Prohibited	Mineral oil aromatic hydrocarbons (MOAH) comprising from 3 to 7 aromatic rings	Packaging components and materials, Printed materials	0.0001wt% (1ppm) in ink
Prohibited	Hydrocarbons saturated with mineral oil (MOSH) containing 16 to 35 carbon atoms	Packaging components and materials, Printed materials	0.1wt% (1000ppm) in ink
Prohibited	Pentachlorophenol (PCP) and its salts and esters	All applications	Intentionally added or 0.0005wt% (5ppm) in article or mixture
Prohibited	PFOS related substances	All applications	Intentionally added or 0.0001wt% (1ppm, 1000ppb) of one or a combination of PFOS related compounds, in article or mixture
Prohibited	Perfluorohexane-1-sulphonic acid (PFHxS), its salts	All applications	Intentionally added and 0.000025wt% (25ppb) of PFHxS including its salts in article or mixture
Prohibited	PFHxS related compounds	All applications	Intentionally added and 0.0001wt% (1ppm, 1000ppb) of one or a combination of PFHxS related compounds, in article or mixture
Prohibited	Undecafluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA) and its salts	Textiles, leather and furs	0.000025wt% (25ppb) of PFHxA including its salts in homogenous material
Prohibited	PFHxA related substances	Textiles, leather and furs	0.0001wt% (1ppm, 1000ppb) of one or a combination of PFHxA related substances, in homogenous material
Controlled	Per/polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)	All applications	Intentional addition