



Molex, LLC.

Product Compliance

## Molex and China RoHS

China RoHS is legislation similar in many ways to EU RoHS, but significant differences exist. On July 1, 2007 the first phase of the legislation governing product related environmental requirements went into effect. This phase covers marking and labeling of products and packaging materials only. In the future, China will release a catalogue that sets requirements for certain Electrical and Electronic Products (EEPs). The EEPs listed in the catalogue will be required to meet substance restrictions and pass certification before they are sold.

### **Phase I: Product Marking/Labeling**

Molex has been closely monitoring the product-related environmental legislation activities in China and is fully aware of the labeling law (SJ/T 11364-2014) signed into force by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) of the Chinese government. This statute sets forth the requirements for labeling Electrical and Electronic Products (EEPs) sold in China.

Under Section 4 (General Rules), the law states that "with respect to the electronic and electrical products that are purchased for manufacturing, the supplier does not need to provide the aforementioned markings." As a supplier of electronic and electrical products that are purchased for manufacturing (connectors and small assemblies), Molex will comply with the law per Section 4 and therefore has no plans to provide labeling on products.

Section 4 of the law continues with, "but the supplier shall provide to the purchaser all necessary information required for marking." To that end, Molex has put in place a central database where all the pertinent information needed to comply with the labeling law will be stored. This information is displayed on our website ([www.molex.com](http://www.molex.com)) to meet customer requirements related to the labeling law.

### **Phase I: Packaging Recycling Marking/Labeling**

The Chinese legislation also includes requirements for marking/labeling packaging with recycling symbols. Like the product marking/labeling requirements, products that are used as components in production do not require this recycling symbol marking/labeling on their packaging materials. This point is covered in the official MIIT Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document (revised February 2007) under Question 30. It states that "with regard to products purchased for manufacturing a complete product, it is fine for the supplier not to mark anything on the product provided, including marking the name of the packaging materials." As a result, since our products fall under the category of 'components used in production' Molex is not required to mark or label our packaging per the Chinese legislation.

### **Phase II**

Molex will continue to closely monitor progress related to the release of the catalogue. EEPs included in this catalogue will have substance restrictions and will require certification before they are sold.