

Supply Chain Due Diligence policy



Cookson Drijfhout BV (trading as Drijfhout), takes Corporate Social Responsibility (MVO) and compliance with OECD gold chain due diligence seriously and considers this as an important part of its business activities.

As part of the Heimerle + Meule Group, we believe that the best way of meeting our obligations is by:

1. Being Certified Members of the Responsible Jewellery Council and implementing its Codes of Practice which can be downloaded from www.responsiblejewellerycouncil.com.
2. Taking an active part in the application of OECD principles within the Dutch market.
3. Ensuring that any product sent for recycling is done so in a responsible manner.
4. That product including Diamonds is traded and described in the correct fashion.

These Policies can be summarized as follows.

Any gold or gold product purchased will be in accordance with prevailing law and recognized international standards. This activity will not knowingly support, either directly or indirectly, actions deemed to be detrimental to the Environment, human rights, support conflict, assist in fraud of any kind or any activity generally recognized as unacceptable.

Our purchase, trade or work with gold or gold products will include appropriate actions to support the sustainability of gold, maximizing the amount of material that can be recycled in accordance with local and international laws/regulations. This trade will not knowingly either directly or indirectly harm the environment, human rights, support illegal activity or any activity generally recognized as unacceptable.

Management and employees will take responsibility for the implementation of these policies and intentions via the following actions.

- a) Ensuring that correct due diligence is carried out and documented that identify and verify our suppliers and customers by completing the appropriate paperwork.
- b) That any product purchased is checked to ensure that all relevant standards or recommendations are met. For example that any Diamonds are purchased and sold including the appropriate Warranties as defined by the World Diamond Council.
- c) That we will have documented proof that refining carried on materials supplied by ourselves, is done by companies that meet the required standards and are suitably certified for that work.
- d) Ensuring that we have evidence supporting the fact that any purchase of precious metal based or containing products of any kind are from suppliers meeting our policies.
- e) That employees are educated, empowered and supported in actions to meet the above policies.
- f) That where reasonably possible the above policies will be applied to all traded products.