

Dear Valued Customer,

We understand the obligations placed upon our supply chain by the legislation relating to an import ban on iron and steel goods from Russia as outlined in "Notice to Importers (NTI) 2953" (and Article 3G of Regulation (EU) No 833/2014) which applies to any person subject to UK or EU jurisdiction.

In Article 3 of the EU Regulation 2023//1214 (updated for section (d)) the following is specified:

1. It shall be prohibited:

(a) to import, directly or indirectly, iron and steel products as listed in Annex XVII into the Union if they:

(i) originate in Russia; or

(ii) have been exported from Russia;

(b) to purchase, directly or indirectly, iron and steel products as listed in Annex XVII which are located or which originated in Russia;

(c) to transport iron and steel products as listed in Annex XVII if they originated in Russia or are being exported from Russia to any other country;

(d) To import or purchase, as from 30 September 2023, directly or indirectly, iron and steel products as listed in Annex XVII when processed in a third country incorporating iron and steel products originating in Russia as listed in Annex XVII; with regard to products listed in Annex XVII processed in a third country incorporating steel products originating in Russia of CN codes 7207 11, 7207 12 10 or 7224 90, this prohibition shall apply as of 1 April 2024 for CN code 7207 11 and as of 1 October 2024 for CN codes 7207 12 10 and 7224 90; L 159 I/10 EN Official Journal of the European Union 23.6.2023; For the purposes of the application of this point, at the moment of importation, importers shall provide evidence of the country of origin of the iron and steel inputs used for the processing of the product in a third country.

In response to the EU sanctions against Russia, which became active from the 30th of September 2023; Stride Supplies Ltd can confirm that the steel products it is supplying to the market do not contain steel substrate from Russia, nor have they been imported to the UK from Russia.

We have carried out full due diligence across our supply network and are able to provide evidence of origin in accordance with point (d) above, upon request.

This letter is sufficient to confirm compliance with the sanctions according to EU Regulation no. 833/2014.



Signed

Senior Operations Administrator

Job title

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Date