

## REACH ANNEX XVII STATEMENT

### COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 494/2011 AMENDING REACH ANNEX XVII REGARDING CADMIUM IN JEWELRY

Herewith Swarovski certified that all Swarovski crystals and components comply to Regulation (EU) 494/2011. Regulation (EU) 494/2011 and its corrigendum were recently published to amend the scope of the restriction of Cadmium under ANNEX XVII<sup>1</sup> of REACH<sup>2</sup>. This latest amendment of REACH expands the scope of restrictions of cadmium by including jewelry and will apply from January 10, 2012.

The restrictions of Cadmium in jewelry relevant for Swarovski crystals products are summarized in the following table:

Second column of entry 23, paragraph 10 is added as follows	Scope	Requirement; unless otherwise stated; for cadmium
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metal beads and other metal components for jewelry making;</li> <li>• Metal parts of jewelry and imitation jewelry articles and hair accessories, including:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bracelets, necklaces and rings</li> <li>○ Piercing jewelry</li> <li>○ Wrist-watches and wrist-wear</li> <li>○ Brooches and cufflinks</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Exemption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Articles placed on the market before January 10, 2012</li> <li>• Jewelry more than 50 years old on January 10, 2012</li> </ul>	<p>≤ 0.01% (100 mg/kg)</p>

<sup>1</sup> Restrictions on the Manufacture, placing on the Market and use of certain dangerous Substances, Preparations and Articles

<sup>2</sup> (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals

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In conclusion, the new cadmium limits only apply on metal parts and metal components (e.g. pearls made of metal, fasteners...) of jewelry pieces and hair accessories. Crystals are not affected.

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