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Information to the ‘Siemens Code of Conduct for Siemens suppliers’, section ‘management system for environmental protection’

This information shall help the suppliers to understand the expected requirements of the ‘reasonable Management systems for environmental protection’. The supplier’s relevance and responsibility in terms of environmental protection depends essentially on the type of activities (e.g., production, services, project work) and the resources being used.

A distinction is therefore made between suppliers that perform solely administrative/ management or advisory functions, e.g., sales-, IT- and marketing related activities (category 1), and those that have a higher environmental impact (category 2 or 3).

Supplier Category	Environmental relevance	Examples	Requirements of „reasonable Management systems”
1	Not environmentally relevant or of low environmental relevance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • small IT-companies • consultants (not environmentally relevant) • chartered accountants • small assembly and craftsman’s businesses 	According to local legislation
2	Environmentally relevant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • chemical and chemical engineering companies • heavy machine construction • mechanical engineering • logistics (with and without dangerous goods) • electrical engineering • plastics processing • surface engineering 	An adequate management system includes ISO 14001 elements, i.e.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an environmental policy • roles & responsibilities in environmental protection • evaluating the environmental aspects of activities, products & services • evaluating legal requirements and a commitment to compliance • definition and implementation of procedures to comply with the environmental policy, to achieve targets and in connection with significant environmental aspects • records of environmental training • emergency preparedness and response • records of regularly performed audits
3	High environmental relevance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • handling or producing large amounts of hazardous substances • waste vendors; in exceptional cases waste vendors can be classified as category 2 suppliers if they treat non-hazardous waste like glass or paper 	ISO 14001 certificate or an EMAS validation