

Vieira de Leiria, 19th July 2022.

FOOD CONTACT STATEMENT

To our Valued Customer:

The European Community Regulation 1935/2004/EC defines the requirements for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food, while Commission Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006 lays down rules on good manufacturing practice (GMP) for materials and articles that come into contact with food.

This declaration applies to the following stainless steel grades supplied by Böllinghaus Steel Lda..

EN 10088 Standard		AISI / ASTM	UNS
X5CrNiS 18-10	1.4301	AISI 304	S30400
X2CrNi 18-9	1.4307	AISI 304L	S30403
X8CrNi 18-9	1.4305	AISI 303	S30300
X5CrNiMo 17-12-2	1.4401	AISI 316	S31600
X2CrNiMo 17-12-2	1.4404	AISI 316L	S31603
X6CrNiTi 18-10	1.4541	AISI 321	S32100
X6CrNiTi 17-2-2	1.4571	ASTM Type 316Ti	S31635

The main requirements of the regulation concerning Böllinghaus Steel Lda. semi-finished stainless steel products are:

- Materials and articles shall be manufactured in compliance with good manufacturing practice, as laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006, so that, under normal or foreseeable conditions of use, they do not transfer their constituents to food in quantities which could endanger human health or bring about an unacceptable change in the composition, taste or appearance of the food (*EC Regulation No 1935/2004, Article 3*).
- The traceability of materials and articles shall be ensured at all stages in order to facilitate control, the recall of defective products, consumer information and the attribution of responsibility (*EC Regulation No 1935/2004, Article 17*).

Supported in numerous studies that have shown that when used properly there is no harmful release of metals from the above mentioned stainless steel grades and in the knowledge that corrosion resistant stainless steels are inert and do not influence the colour, taste or appearance of the food, we are able to ensure the compliance with article 3.

Böllinghaus Steel Lda. stainless steel processed material is traced in all processing stages, fulfilling the requirements of article 17.

Hereupon, articles made from Böllinghaus Steel Lda. stainless steel above mentioned grades meet the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004 and Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006, provided that the appropriate steel grade is used for the final product and further reprocessing is performed according to good manufacturing practice.

Italy:

The stainless steel supplied by Böllinghaus complies for food contact and or/contact with drinking water, provided by the corresponding 1.XXX grade description mentioned in the "positive list" (Allegato I de l'articolo 1, comma 1 dated August 1, 2019) of the decree of the Italian Government (DECRETO 9 maggio, n.72 *Regolamento recante l'aggiornamento al decreto del Ministro della sanità 21 marzo 1973, recante: «Disciplina igienica degli imballaggi, recipienti, utensili, destinati a venire in contatto con le sostanze alimentari o con sostanze d'uso personale»*, limitatamente agli acciai inossidabili. (19G00079 – GU Serie Generale n. 179 del 01-08-2019).

Best regards,

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