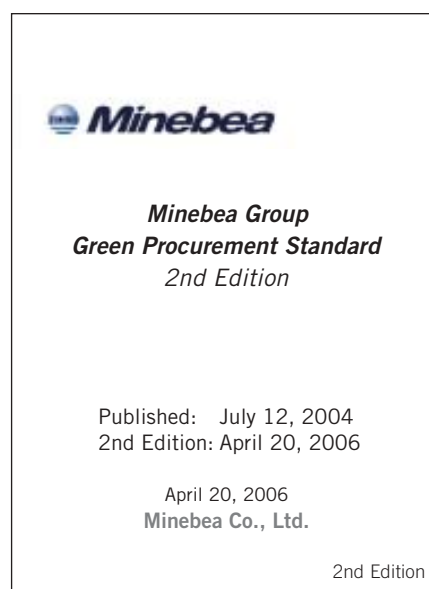


Minebea's Green Procurement Program focuses on the purchase of materials and parts that are ecologically sound, that is, raw materials and parts that contain no hazardous substances and the production of which does not result in emissions of hazardous substances.

Publication of Minebea Group Green Procurement Standard

The *Minebea Group Green Procurement Standard* was published in July 2004 to guide its procurement efforts. In light of shifting social conditions and resulting changes in legal requirements and customer demands, and in response to technological advances, on April 20, 2006, Minebea published a new version, the *Minebea Group Green Procurement Standard, 2nd Edition*. For the new edition, revisions were made to the list of banned chemical substances, scope of the ban, permitted concentrations and analysis methods. Phrasing was simplified in the interest of clarity.



The *Minebea Group Green Procurement Standard, 2nd Edition*

Ban on Hazardous Substances

In accordance with the RoHS directive and other laws and regulations in Japan and elsewhere, Minebea has banned the use of a number of hazardous substances in the parts, materials and packaging it uses. For certain of these substances, Minebea has set separate limitations on the scope and period of the ban. For further information, please refer to the *Minebea Group Green Procurement Standard, 2nd Edition*, published April 20, 2006. (Polychlorinated terphenyls (PCTs) were added to Minebea's list of banned chemical substances in this edition.)

Chemical Substances Banned in Products from Suppliers

No.	Name	RoHS	Minebea
Heavy Metals and Metal Compounds			
1.	Lead and lead compounds	○	○
2.	Cadmium and cadmium compounds	○	○
3.	Hexavalent chromium compounds	○	○
4.	Mercury and mercury compounds	○	○
5.	Tributyltin oxide (TBTO)		○
6.	Tributyl tin (TBT)		○
	Triphenyl tin (TPT)		○
Halogen System Organic Compounds			
7.	Polybrominated biphenyls (PBB)	○	○
8.	Polybrominated diphenyl ether (PBDE)	○	○
9.	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB)		○
10.	Polychlorinated naphthalenes (PCN)		○
11.	Polychlorinated terphenyls (PCT)		○
12.	Short-chain chlorinated parafins		○
Others			
13.	Asbestos		○
14.	Specified azo compounds and specified amines		○
15.	Ozone-depleting substances (ODSs)		○
16.	Radioactive substances		○
17.	Formaldehyde		○
18.	Dioxins		○
19.	Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) and PVC compounds		○

Green Procurement Presentations

Following the revision of the *Minebea Group Green Procurement Standard*, Minebea conducted green procurement presentations for key suppliers and customers. These presentations sought to explain revisions to the standard and forms for submission to suppliers and to secure their cooperation. Minebea will continue to conduct such presentations both in Japan and overseas.



Presentation at Minebea's Fujisawa Plant

Information Concerning Green Procurement Activities on Minebea's Web Site

Information on Minebea's green procurement activities is available on Minebea's web site. Interested suppliers and customers are invited to visit the following page:

<http://www.minebea.co.jp/procurements/en/green/index/>



Top page of the green procurement section of Minebea's web site