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## Metal Joining



## CADMIUM CONTAINING BRAZING FILLER METALS BANNED UNDER EU REACH REGULATIONS

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Further to previous communications on impending EU REACH controls on the use of cadmium in brazing materials, please note the EU Commission press release and related Regulation 494 at:

[http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/chemicals/reach/restrictions/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/chemicals/reach/restrictions/index_en.htm)

'Cadmium-based brazing materials are prohibited from being placed on the market in all EU member states according to the time deadline and content threshold ( $\geq 0.01\%$ ) specified in the Regulation.

The only exceptions permitted are as signalled in the earlier draft EU legislation, i.e. defence/aerospace and safety critical applications.'

Accordingly Johnson Matthey wishes to advise that from December 2011 it will be against EU regulations for these materials to be bought or sold within the EU.

### STILL USING CADMIUM . . . ACT NOW

Johnson Matthey is committed to working with companies and organisations using or selling these products to help them make the change to cadmium-free alternatives.

If you are still using or selling a cadmium containing brazing filler metal and would like a cadmium-free sample, technical help and advice on going cadmium-free please call now on:-

**+44 (0)1763 253200** or email on [cadfree@matthey.com](mailto:cadfree@matthey.com)

**It may take time to test out the cadmium-free alternatives fully and get used to them. During this time Johnson Matthey will be happy to offer training and technical support.**

Johnson Matthey Metal Joining is a global supplier of brazing, soldering and industrial silver materials. Metal Joining has over 100 years experience supplying these products and has a reputation for excellent quality, customer service, and technical support.

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