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Bauer-Walser AG

IS A CERTIFIED MEMBER OF THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

NUMBER: 0000 4420 3 Year DURATION:

02 December 2022 - 02 December 2025 PERIOD:

Code of Practices 2019 STANDARD:

DAVID BOUFFARD

CHAIRMAN

JOHN HALL

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW

MEMBERSHIP FORUM	Precious Metals Trader, Refiner and/or Hedger 12 September 2022		
AUDIT DATE			
AUDIT TYPE	Re-certification		
APPLICABLE STANDARD	Code of Practices 2019		
ACCREDITED AUDIT	SGS United Kingdom Limited		
APPLICABLE	1. General requirements: 1-4, except 3.2		
PROVISIONS	2. Responsible supply chains, human rights, and due diligence: 5-14, except 7.1b, 7.3, 8, 11.3, 13.2-4, 14.3		
	 Labour rights and working conditions: 15-22, except 19.3, 21.3 		
	4. Health, Safety and Environment: 23-27, except 23.10, 27.4		
	5. Gold, Silver, PGM, diamond and coloured gemstone products: 28-30, except 28.2c-j, 28.3, 29, 30		
	6. Responsible mining: Not applicable		

PROVENANCE CLAIMS Bauer – Walser AG exclusively sources gold, silver, platinum, palladium, and rhodium from RJC, LBMA or RMI certified refineries. Based on this sourcing practice, Bauer-Walser AG claims that all its semi-finished products made of these materials are conflict-free. **AUDITOR STATEMENT OF** Based on the scope and findings of the certification audit, the member has demonstrated a conformance level consistent with a: **CONFORMANCE** 3 Year Certification MID-TERM REVIEW (within 12-24 months): **NEXT AUDIT TYPE** A. Mid-term review NOT required due to: No anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period 3 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member <25 full time equivalent personnel Low risk of non-conformances due to management controls Existence of parallel audits for schemes recognised by RJC Strong internal controls ensuring effective review and closure of corrective actions for non-conformances B. Mid-term review (desktop only) required due to: No impact on conformance levels from any changes to the certification scope 5 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member Possibility of remote verification of actions No risk to critical provisions

\bigcirc	C. Mid-term review (with a site visit) required due to:
	Known and anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
	Member no longer supporting external standards and initiatives recognised by RJC
\bigcirc	6 or more minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
	New systems and controls for critical provisions that could not be tested at the certification audit
	Need to test new systems and controls ensuring respect for critical provisions
	Facilities with risk of non-conformances with critical provisions
	Other reasons presented by the lead auditor necessitating an onsite verification

CERTIFICATION SCOPE

Business name of entity/facility	Location (City and Country)	Business Activity
Bauer-Walser AG	Keltern, Germany	Melting recycled materials into bars & analysing/assaying
Hanauer Schmuckhalbzeug GmbH	Hanau, Germany	Trader & purchaser of of precious metal semi-finished products, precious metal waste & metal trade
Geschwister Scheytt GmbH	München, Germany	Trader & purchaser of of precious metal semi-finished products, precious metal waste & metal trade
R. Götze GmbH & Co. KG / ARS Aurea Edelmetall- und Schmuckhandels GmbH	Berlin, Germany	Trader & purchaser of of precious metal semi-finished products, precious metal waste & metal trade
Carl Schaefer Gold- und Silberscheideanstalt GmbH	Pforzheim, Germany	Trader & purchaser of of precious metal semi-finished products, precious metal waste & metal trade

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