

The RoHS and WEEE directives contain exemptions applying to the equipment we sell, primarily when used in large scale industrial tools (LSIT) and when used for monitoring and control instrumentation. A large number of our customers use our equipment in these applications, so exemption is appropriate. For those applications that fall outside of these settings, there are some cases where a default exemption occurs simply because the application is not specifically documented in the scope of the directives. We are therefore strongly encouraging, but not requiring, our vendors to comply with RoHS and WEEE as soon as possible:

- Automation Direct supports the idea of environment-friendly products, and sincerely hopes that our suppliers have the same commitment.
- Automation Direct believes additional laws will go into effect in the near future in other parts of the world (including the USA), that will reinforce the need for these changes.
- Automation Direct expects that, over time, some of the exemptions currently in place from the EU will be eliminated.

It is your responsibility to determine your obligation concerning RoHS and WEEE compliance. To assist you with this, in the near future Automation Direct will publish on our web site a listing of all products and their compliance status.

For additional information about RoHS and WEEE please visit the European Union Waste Management website at http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/rohs_eee/events_rohs3_en.htm.