

PFAS POLICY

Pioneers of progress - improving our world through smarter engineering

We are pioneering progress towards a sustainable future through our products, services, operations and our people.

Environmental sustainability is a critical factor for our future success. Our aim is to fulfil our societal and corporate responsibilities by managing responsibly the environmental impact of our activities, products and services worldwide through the safe and efficient use of natural resources and by developing and commercialising innovative green technologies and services that add value for our customers and further their sustainability ambitions.



PFAS SUBSTANCES

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (also known as PFAS) is a broad group of materials that contains several categories and classes of durable substances. Fluoropolymers (FPs) are one specific class of PFAS.

PFAS and FPs exhibit a multitude of unique properties, and their application is vital in many of the markets served by Smiths to deliver strict product performance requirements including:

- Fire resistance
- Weather resistance
- Temperature resistance
- Chemical resistance
- Non-wetting properties
- Non-sticking properties
- Low friction
- High performance dielectric properties

OUR APPROACH TO PFAS

Smiths takes measures to ensure that all PFAS and FP containing products are developed and manufactured in accordance with global regulatory requirements and standards.

In accordance with these requirements and standards, Smiths does not intentionally make or use perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA or C8) or perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) in the development or manufacture of any products.

Smiths is actively pursuing potential alternatives to PFAS and FP substances in support of its commitment to safety, product stewardship and environmental sustainability.