

**Declaration of Applicability of RoHS to Welch brand products
Restrictions of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances**

Welch brand products placed on the European market are excluded from the requirements of DIRECTIVE 2002/95/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 27 January 2003 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances(RoHS) in electrical and electronic equipment.

This exclusion is made within Article 2, Scope of 2002/95/EC (RoHS):

- 1. Without prejudice to Article 6, this Directive shall apply to electrical and electronic equipment falling under the categories 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 and 10 set out in Annex 1A to Directive No 2002/96/EC (WEEE) and to electric light bulbs, and luminaires in households.¹**

Gardner Denver Welch Vacuum Technology will continue to monitor any extension of the scope of the RoHS directive to assure continuing conformity (refer to RoHS Article 6).

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Note:

1. The scope of RoHS excludes Category 8 (Medical Devices) and Category 9 (Monitoring and Control Instruments). This is a result of recognized issues related to the use of lead-free solders and the risks of failures and malfunctions related to "tin whiskers" which develop and may potentially create short-circuits over time.

Some of the Welch Vacuum products fall under the Category 9 and they are excluded from RoHS compliance. Category 9 includes "Measuring, weighting or adjusting appliances for household or as laboratory equipment" and "Other Monitoring and control equipment used in industrial installations" (see Annex 1A to Directive No 2002/96/EC (WEEE)).