

**Product Liability Law -
General Terms of Business of the
Schaeffler Engineering GmbH
(hereafter referred to as SEN)**

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The product liability law currently in force requires the manufacturer, importer and operator, under the therein described conditions, to assume liability for damages resulting from a defective product. Liability for damages can originate, if merely the way it is presented to an end user creates an impression of product safety that does not in fact exist. But it can also originate if the end user can be assumed not to employ the necessary safety measures, when using the product. It is therefore always necessary to be able to prove that the end user was made familiar with the safety regulations. Therefore, in the interest of safety, please always inform your personnel, users or customers of the following:

Safety regulations

When handling products that come into contact with electric charge, the VDE regulations in effect must be met.

Particular attention is to drawn to the following regulations: VDE 0100; VDE 0550/0551; VDE 071 1; VDE 0860.

- Before opening the case disconnect the power cord, or make sure that the equipment is not live. Components, sub-assemblies or equipment should only be turned on when they have been installed in a case and protected against accidental contact. During this installation they must not be live.
- Tools should only be used on the equipment, components or sub-assemblies when it is sure that the equipment is not live, and electric charge built up in sub-assemblies in the equipment has been discharged.
- Current carrying cables or wiring connected to the equipment, component or sub-assembly must always be checked for insulation defects or breaks. When a defect in the wiring is found the equipment must immediately be taken out of service until the defective wiring has been replaced.
- When using components or sub-assemblies attention must always be drawn to the strict compliance with the corresponding description of the ratings for electric variables.
- When it is not clear from the description presented to the end user which electric rating is valid for the component, a specialist must always be consulted.

Other than that, meeting installation and safety regulations of all types (UVV, VDE, TÜV, professional associations etc. as well as local conditions) is the responsibility of the customer/user. That is particularly so for storage, transport, putting into service and operation of parts, equipment or systems supplied by SEN.

There is no guarantee and no liability whatsoever will be assumed for use outside the described specified purpose, and without observance of the necessary requirements and safety measures.