



Human Rights' and environmental toolkit for buyers of artisanal diamonds

(hereinafter: operators)

All operators will be subject to inspection to assess compliance with this standard.

All operators shall provide a package of information to its clients, which shall include a copy of:

- the national and local environmental, social and mining legislations;
- the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme,
- a signed contract between the buyer and the seller (see below),
- the volumes expected to be bought,
- the price payment procedures and the price payments, and
- the coordinates of Jeweltree Foundation or one of its contactpersons in the country.

Price payments are made in whole to person to whom it belongs.

All operators will ask and archive written agreements from its clients on all its levels of mining, processing and trading. Those agreements will include:

- a written agreement that it has received the operator's information package and it fully understands the content of the package
- a detailed overview of its way of production, and (if applicable) processing and trading (e.g. type of material used, alone or in cooperation, use of chemicals, available permits)

The seller and the operator will draw up a contract. The contract must include at least the following elements:

- minimum and maximum volumes,
- quality specifications,
- price and payment conditions,
- delivery conditions,
- the applied environmental and social conditions,

- the management of pre-financing funds. The cost of pre-financing must not exceed the bank lending rate for such business in the operator's home country, plus credit insurance costs, plus administrative cost of 1 % p.a.

The entire volume of diamonds and gold produced and processed by the seller or operator (directly or through third parties) is physically traceable. All operators must ensure that they will be able to identify:

- The chain of sellers of the product,
- The physical form of the product when transacted (purchase and sale)
- The quantities bought and sold (one up – one down)
- Date of transactions
- Payments
- The applied environmental and social criteria.

These criteria are to be used in correspondence with our criteria for small scale mining where applicable.

Operators must be able to provide evidence of conformity with the applicable environmental / social laws (ie record of inspections, or audits, or government licensing). This can include but is not limited to the Jeweltree audit itself.

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This toolkit and the proposed audit criteria are providing a framework for an ethical fair, free and transparent diamond trade. It is based on the foundational principles of autonomy, beneficence, non-maleficence, and justice.

It does not certify against greed and the love of power. Neither is it to be considered a bureaucratic technicality.