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Argor-Heraeus SA

IS CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY CERTIFIED BY THE
Responsible Jewellery Council

CERTIFICATION NUMBER: C0000 0063

CERTIFICATION PERIOD: 26 JUNE 2017 – 26 JUNE 2020

CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY STANDARD VERSION: 2017 (TRANSITION FROM 2012 VERSION EFFECTIVE FROM 11 SEPTEMBER 2019)

TYPES OF MATERIAL IN SCOPE: GOLD, PLATINUM, PALLADIUM AND/OR RHODIUM

ELIGIBLE MATERIAL DECLARATIONS IN SCOPE: MINED GOLD, RECYCLED GOLD, GRANDFATHERED GOLD, MIX OF MINED/RECYCLED/GRANDFATHERED GOLD, RECYCLED PLATINUM, RECYCLED PALLADIUM AND/OR RHODIUM

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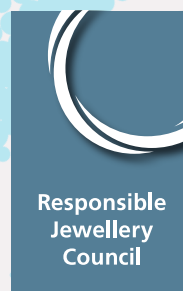
DAVID BOUFFARD
Chairman
Responsible Jewellery Council

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IRIS VAN DER VEKEN
Executive Director
Responsible Jewellery Council

RJC CERTIFICATION INFORMATION CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY

Summary



<i>CoC certified entity</i>	Argor-Heraeus SA
<i>RJC member which controls entity</i>	Argor-Heraeus SA
<i>Certification number</i>	C0000 0063
<i>Chain-of-Custody Standard version</i>	2017 (Transition from 2012 to 2017 version was verified during the surveillance audit and effective from 12 September 2019)
<i>Certification period</i>	26 June 2017 – 26 June 2020
<i>Audit date</i>	29, 31 May, 1 June 2017
<i>Accredited auditor</i>	Bureau Veritas Italia Lead Auditor: Simone Olmo Bernd Tunnensen
<i>Entity certification scope</i>	Argor-Heraeus SA, Mendrisio, Switzerland - Refining and production facility; Argor-Heraeus Deutschland GmbH, Pforzheim, Germany - Collection and trading facility; Argor-Heraeus Italia SpA, Cavenago Brianza, Italy - Collection and trading facility.
<i>Types of material in scope</i>	Gold, Platinum, Palladium and/or Rhodium

*Eligible material
declarations in
scope*

Mined Gold, Recycled Gold, Grandfathered Gold, Mix of Mined/Recycled/
Grandfathered Gold, Recycled Platinum, Recycled Palladium and/or
Rhodium

*Changes during the
certification period*

The only changes occurred are related to platinum and palladium. Both eligible
material declarations and Transfer document are only related to Recycled and no
more to Mixed of Mined, Mining By-product, Recycled and/or Grandfathered.

Applicable provisions

Due diligence and KYC for responsible sourcing: 1-2
Chain-of-custody management: 3-5
Systems to confirm eligibility of materials: 6-8, except 6.1e
Issuing of chain-of-custody documentation: 9-11

*Auditor statement
of conformance*

**Based on the scope and findings of the audit, the sites visited and the
available information provided by the entity:**



The entity has demonstrated a conformance level consistent
with a 3 year certification period.

Confirmation

The auditors confirm that:



The information provided by the entity is true and accurate to the best
knowledge of the auditor(s) preparing this report.



The findings are based on verified objective evidence relevant to the time
period for the assessment, traceable and unambiguous.



The scope of the assessment and the method used are sufficient to
establish confidence that the findings are indicative of the performance of
the entity's defined certification scope.



The auditor(s) have acted in a manner deemed ethical, truthful, accurate
professional, independent and objective.

Chain-of-Custody Certification

This certification is issued in accordance with RJC's Assessment Manual (version 2018). The standard, supporting documentation, and assessment manual, can be downloaded at: <https://www.responsiblejewellery.com/chain-of-custody-certification/chain-of-custody-certification-2017/>

This certificate can be authenticated by visiting: <https://www.responsiblejewellery.com/members/chain-of-custody-certified-entities/>

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