



RDS Wire & Cable
225 East Gardena Blvd., Gardena, CA 90248

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Vendor Quality Assurance Requirements

This document establishes quality requirements for purchased material and processes, and defines vendor responsibilities and requirements to assure products conform to RDS Wire & Cable purchasing requirements.

Certification of Material:

Each shipment of material shall include Certification of Conformance which includes at a minimum: the Purchase Order number, material description, and specification reference. Product monitored by Underwriters Laboratory (UL) may be certified with proper UL labels.

Right of Access:

All facilities and applicable quality records involved the order must be available to Regulatory Authorities, RDS Wire & Cable, and to our customer. Such access will be coordinated by RDS personnel in advance.

Flow-Down Requirements:

Any applicable requirements, including key characteristics, must be communicated to sub-tier suppliers when indicated in the purchasing documents.

Approved Special Process Sources:

When required by purchase order instructions, the vendor agrees ensure use of RDS Wire & Cable customer's approved special process sources.

Retention of Records

Records created by and retained by vendors (i.e. test data, lot traceability information, etc.) shall be retained for a minimum of seven years indexed by Order, lot, or date codes.

Changes/Revisions:

Any changes or revisions to RDS's requirements will be communicated to RDS. These requirements will apply to all purchases by RDS Wire & Cable, pending revision of the requirements, or re-notification of the subcontractor.

Non-conformances:

When a vendor is providing products to RDS Wire & Cable requirements and there is a non-conformance, RDS must be notified immediately of the non-conformance to make arrangements for approval.