

Cobalt Sourcing

Cobalt may originate from artisanal mines (ASMs) in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and adjoining regions. These smaller-scale operations are potentially exploited by armed groups in the region and may have with poor working conditions or human rights violations, such as child or forced labour practices

Cobalt is primarily (51%) used in lithium-ion batteries and the balance of cobalt is used in superalloys, hard metals, dyes and ceramics.

There is no cobalt in the W&S supply chain but should it be required, we will add it to our responsible sourcing (CSR) program.

W&S is committed to assisting in the global movement to end child labour and other human rights violations wherever possible.