

VAP® patent and infringement management

The VAP® technique, membrane systems and other components are internationally patent-protected by AIRBUS and TRANS-TEXTIL for all areas of application (in particular European patent EP1181149 and counterparts in many other countries).

The use of VAP® is only allowed with a license from AIRBUS which will be acquired through the use of licensed VAP® membrane products.

Licensed VAP® membrane products are obtainable solely from the exclusive manufacturer and general licensee Trans-Textil GmbH and its authorized sales partner Composyst GmbH.

The offering and use of non-licensed membrane products in the VAP® process will constitute an infringement of the international intellectual property rights of AIRBUS Defence and Space GmbH and its partners and will be prosecuted. In these cases the following measures of intellectual property rights enforcement are applicable:

- Continuous international market monitoring by technical experts and patent attorneys
- Contractual obligation of VAP® partners to report any cases of patent infringement to AIRBUS legal department
- Information about the clearly described legal situation, patent and licensing system
- Cease and desist declaration with penalty clause
- Confiscation of components manufactured without a proper license
- Further legal actions like injunctions and award of damages

The AIRBUS legal department is available for any further questions in this respect:

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