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National Chain Group (formerly National Chain Company)

IS A CERTIFIED MEMBER OF THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

NUMBER: 0000 4741 DURATION: 3 Year

PERIOD: 04 February 2023 - 04 February 2026

STANDARD: Code of Practices 2019

DAVID BOUFFARD

CHAIRMAN

MELANIE GRANT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW

MEMBERSHIP FORUM	Jewellery and Watch Manufacturer and/or Wholesaler
AUDIT DATE	24 January 2023
AUDIT TYPE	Re-certification
APPLICABLE STANDARD	Code of Practices 2019
ACCREDITED AUDIT FIRM	SCS Global Services
APPLICABLE PROVISIONS	 General requirements: 1-4, except 3.2 Responsible supply chains, human rights and due diligence: 5-14, except 7.3, 8, 9, 11.3, 13.3-4, 14.3 Labour rights and working conditions: 15-22, except 19.3, 21.3 Health, Safety and Environment: 23-27, except 23.10, 27.4 Gold, Silver, PGM, diamond and coloured gemstone products: 28-30, except 28.2b, j, 29.2, 30 Responsible mining: Not applicable

PROVENANCE CLAIMS	Not applicable
AUDITOR STATEMENT OF CONFORMANCE	Based on the scope and findings of the certification audit, the member has demonstrated a conformance level consistent with a:
	3 Year Certification
NEXT AUDIT TYPE	MID-TERM REVIEW (within 12-24 months):
	A. Mid-term review NOT required due to:
	No anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
	3 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
	<25 full time equivalent personnel
	Low risk of non-conformances due to management controls
	Existence of parallel audits for schemes recognised by RJC
	Strong internal controls ensuring effective review and closure of corrective actions for non-conformances
	B. Mid-term review (desktop only) required due to:
	No impact on conformance levels from any changes to the certification scope
	5 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
	Possibility of remote verification of actions
	No risk to critical provisions

\bigcirc	C. Mid-term review (with a site visit) required due to:
	Known and anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
	Member no longer supporting external standards and initiatives recognised by RJC
\bigcirc	6 or more minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
	New systems and controls for critical provisions that could not be tested at the certification audit
	Need to test new systems and controls ensuring respect for critical provisions
\bigcirc	Facilities with risk of non-conformances with critical provisions
	Other reasons presented by the lead auditor necessitating an onsite verification

CERTIFICATION SCOPE

Business name of entity/facility
National Chain Headquarters

National Chain Casting Standard Chain National Chain Santo Domingo National Chain Tubing & Beads Location (City and Country)
Warwick, USA

Warwick, USA North Attleboro, USA Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic Warwick, US Business Activity

HQ, Administrative offices, fabrication of wire and flatstock for chain, manufacture of chain

Manufacture, casting Manufacture of mesh chain Assembly, casting, stone setting Manufacture of beads, tubing, alloys

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