

Press release

LogiMAT 2016: New GARANT ESD Workstation protects components against electrostatic discharges

Hoffmann Group presents complete solutions for safe EPA protection zones

Stuttgart/Munich, 8 March 2016 – The Hoffmann Group presents its first ESD-proof GARANT Workstation at LogiMAT 2016 and demonstrates how EPA protection zones (Electrostatic Protection Area) should be set up in order to reliably shield sensitive components from electrostatic discharges. The new GARANT Workstation for protecting against ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) is ESD powder-coated and conductive in accordance with DIN EN 61340-5-1. Electrostatic discharges are conducted from the work surface to a grounding cable on the underside of the worktop. This means that the workstation always remains charge-neutral. At LogiMAT 2016 the Hoffmann Group is located in hall 5, stand 5D55.

The new ESD conductive GARANT Workstation is available in three different versions: mLevel, eLevel and eLevel+. All three versions are height adjustable and ergonomically adaptable. With the m-level version the customization can be performed manually. In the case of the eLevel and eLevel+ versions the height adjustment of the entire workstation or worktop is handled by means of an electric motor. A total of three different heights can be programmed with a memory function. With the comprehensive range of ESD-proof accessories from the Hoffmann Group companies are able to set up a completely safe EPA workplace.

Uncontrolled electrostatic discharges can lead to total loss or hidden defects in the production of electronic components, giving rise to complaints, repair and replacement costs as well as reputational damage. Therefore, the Hoffmann Group offers a complete portfolio that includes all components needed to set up an extensive EPA protection zone in accordance with DIN EN 61340-5-1 and also provides the corresponding advisory services. The Hoffmann Group experts offer consulting in the following areas: workstations, personnel grounding, tools, markings, measuring tools, containers and floors.

The ESD-proof GARANT Workstations are available with immediate effect through the catalogue as well as the Hoffmann Group e-shop.

Further information is available on the Internet at the following links: https://www.hoffmann-group.com/medias/sys_master/images/images/h62/he1/8893126475806/Special-Betriebseinrichtung-ESD-Ratgeber-04386DE-KW1543DE-CWS.pdf?attachment=true

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