

JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC
Form SD
May 31, 2018

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM SD
Specialized Disclosure Report

JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin 0-16255 39-1536083
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer
of incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification No.)

555 Main Street, Racine, Wisconsin 53403

(Address of principal executive offices)

Lori Strangberg, Corporate Controller, (262) 631-6600

(Name and telephone number, including area code, of the person to contact in connection with this report.)

Check the appropriate box to indicate the rule pursuant to which this form is being filed, and provide the period to which the information in this form applies:

Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2017.

Section 1 - Conflict Minerals Disclosure

Item 1.01 Conflict Minerals Disclosure and Report

Johnson Outdoors Inc. (“JOI” or “the Company”) is a leading global manufacturer and marketer of branded seasonal outdoor recreation products used primarily for fishing, diving, watercraft recreation and camping.

JOI has a publically available Conflict Minerals Policy that may be found at the following URL:

<http://files.shareholder.com/downloads/JOUT/1578683010x0x879243/C3293CEC-4CF4-494D-B81E-CD57FAD6BB0E/FINAL>
content of any website referred to in this Form SD is included for general information only and is not incorporated by reference in this Form SD.

The Company has concluded in good faith that during the year ended December 31, 2017, conflict minerals were necessary to the functionality and/or production of products manufactured by JOI (such minerals are referred to as "necessary conflict minerals"). Necessary conflict minerals were sourced from the Company’s multi-tiered supply chain and were ultimately incorporated into its products via both internal manufacturing processes and by component manufacturers. The Company, through its independent third-party consultant, conducted a reasonable country of origin inquiry (“RCOI”) with due diligence, based on the “Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Due Diligence guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas,” for its products which was designed to determine whether any of these conflict minerals originated in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (“DRC”) or an adjoining country (together, “Covered Countries”) or were from recycled or scrap sources. For a description of our due diligence, please see our Conflict Minerals Report (Exhibit 1.01).

Item 1.02 Exhibit

The Company has filed a Conflict Minerals Report for the reporting period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 as Exhibit 1.01 to this Form SD which further describes its products that contain necessary conflict minerals, RCOI methodology, due diligence procedures, results and steps that will be taken to mitigate the risk that necessary conflict minerals benefit armed groups, including steps to improve due diligence.

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Section 2 – Exhibits

Item 2.01 Exhibits

Exhibit 1.01 – Conflict Minerals Report as required by Items 1.01 and 1.02 of this Form. A copy of the Conflict Minerals Report is on the Company's website as noted in the copy of the Conflict Minerals Report filed herewith.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the duly authorized undersigned.

JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC.

/s/ David W. Johnson

May 31, 2018

David W. Johnson

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Date)