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# **PX PRECINOX SA**

### **GOLD BAR MANUFACTURER IN SWITZERLAND**

**PX Precinox SA** refines gold and manufactures bars in the picturesque town of La Chaux-de-Fonds, which is situated in the canton of Neuchâtel in the Jura mountains.

The company is part of the PX Group, whose companies manufacture customized semi-finished goods for the watch-making, industrial and medical markets in Switzerland and internationally.

La Chaux-de-Fonds has been a traditional centre of watch-making in Switzerland for over 300 years. Many world famous Swiss watch companies have large factories in the area.

The town was designated a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2009.



2012 London Bullion Market Association (LBMA)

Central Office of Precious Metal Control, Berne Swiss Association of Manufacturers and Traders in Precious Metals

#### **RANGE OF GOLD BARS**

The company issues a standard range of 12 bars:

Cast: 400 oz, 1000 g, 500 g, 250 g, 100 g Minted: 100 g, 50 g, 20 g, 10 g, 5 g, 2 g, 1 g

It also manufactures customized bars for external entities.

# **BACKGROUND**

The **PX Group**, founded by Pierre-Olivier Chave in 1976, is privately owned.

The Group provides products, tools and services not only for the watch industry but also for other industries such as jewellery, optical, dental, medical and automobile, through six manufacturing, marketing and service entities:



The PX Group is headquartered in La Chaux-de-Fonds, the centre of the gold watch-making industry in Switzerland.



PX Precinox SA has been authorized to manufacture London Good Delivery 400 oz gold bars since 2012.

Company	Focus	Industrial	Established
PX Precinox SA	Precious metal refining, recycling of scrap, strips, wires,	La Chaux-de-Fonds	1976
	profiles, tubes, stamped components, solders, powders.		
PX Precimet SA	Custom-built semi-finished non-precious metal tubes,	La Chaux-de-Fonds	1983
	wires, profiles.	Bulle*	
PX Tools SA	Drills, reamers and boring tools, end mills, micro-mills,	La Chaux-de-Fonds	PX Group
	chamfering, engraving tools, whirling tools.		since 1990#
Swiss Profile (M) Semi-finished non-precious metal solid profiles, shaped		Penang	1995
SDN BHD – Malaysia	wires, rods		
PX Dental SA	X Dental SA Small precious metal ingots		2000
PX Services R & D, Engineering, Technology and Quality Departments		La Chaux-de-Fonds	-

Source: PX Group. #PX Tools SA had originally been established in 1952. \*Marin (canton of Neuchâtel), Bulle (canton of Friburg).



The Group operates 5 industrial plants: in Switzerland at La Chaux-de-Fonds (2), Marin and Bulle, and in Malaysia at Penang.

In 2001, supplementary sales companies were established in France, Germany and Spain.

PX Precinox SA, while it has the capacity to refine mine doré (predominantly gold), focuses on the processing of gold-bearing scrap, mainly from the jewellery, dental and electronic industries.

Gold refining methods include wet chemical chlorination (aqua regia), wet chemical parting, electrolysis and electronic furnace smelting.

Annual gold refining capacity: 60 tonnes

Number of employees: 500 (Group)

Website: www. pxprecinox.com



The company has refined gold in La Chaux-de-Fonds since 1978.

#### **TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION**

Weight	Туре	Fineness	Shape	Dimensions	Serial Number	First
				mm	System	Issued*
Cast						
400 oz	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	250 x 78 x 39	"A" plus	2012
				222.5 x 61 (base)	5 numbers	
1000 g	Cast	999.9, 999.5	Rectangular	116.6 x 52.9 x 8.8	8 numbers	2012
500 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	90 x 40 x 7.5	8 numbers	2012
250 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	59 x 34.5 x 6.8	8 numbers	2012
100 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	43.8 x 26.6 x 4.9	8 numbers	2012
Minted					•	
100 g	Minted	999.9	Rectangular	49.7 x 28.7 x 3.63	9 numbers	2012
50 g	Minted	999.9	Rectangular	49.7 x 28.7 x 1.81	9 numbers	2012
20 g	Minted	999.9	Rectangular	40.5 x 23.5 x 1.06	9 numbers	2012
10 g	Minted	999.9	Rectangular	31.5 x 18.5 x 0.85	9 numbers	2012
5 g	Minted	999.9	Rectangular	23 x 14 x 0.75	9 numbers	2012
2 g	Minted	999.9	Rectangular	19 x 11.5 x 0.42	9 numbers	2012
1 g	Minted	999.9	Rectangular	18.8 x 11.3 x 0.51	9 numbers	2012

Source: PX Precinox SA. \*First issued with current markings.

### **SERIAL NUMBER SYSTEMS**

The systems were first applied to 400 oz and 5 g bars in 2012. On other bars, the system has been applied since 2013.

Bars 1000 g and less: First 5 digits indicate the origin of good delivery gold. Last 4 digits represent the serial number.



The company's kilobars were rebranded in 2012



Pouring gold.



# **EXAMPLES OF GOLD BARS**



1000 g



London Good Delivery 400 oz bar







100 g



PX Precinox SA is a major supplier of semi-finished precious metal products for the Swiss watch industry.

In recent years, the Swiss precious metal watch industry has boomed due to substantial demand from the Middle East and Asian countries, notably China and India.

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