



# Timber Procurement Policy

## Introduction

This Timber Procurement Policy has been introduced to ensure that, the timber we use on our Projects is purchased from well managed, renewable and legal forestry operations.

In order for this to be meaningful and effective we intend for this Policy to be used on all our Projects unless stipulated otherwise by the Client, Designer or Principal Contractor.

## Timber Procurement Policy Statement

As part of our commitment to continuous improvement in the area of Environmental Management, we seek to procure our timber and timber related products from well managed sustainable forests. We recognise that we have a responsibility to the Environment and to conserving the world's natural resources and that we are able to contribute to the development and implementation of environmental solutions in the wood-based products sector through the implementation of a responsible procurement Policy.

As a buyer of forest products we are committed to building a business that is socially, environmentally and economically sustainable on a long term basis.

SCS Building Solutions cares about the world's forests and products which are sourced from them. We are committed to knowing the origins of our supplies and to working with both suppliers and clients to meet and/or exceed regulatory requirements for sustainable forest management.

We will require all suppliers to provide evidence of chain of custody or traceability of fibre back to the forest of origin. Chain of Custody certification is the process used for tracking certified material from the forest gate to the end product.

SCS Building Solutions will give preference to suppliers who meet and go beyond legal requirements for forest management by seeking independent 3<sup>rd</sup> party certification to recognised and credible forest management standards. We support an inclusive approach and recognise both the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and the Programme for Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC).

Compliance with FSC purchasing Policy to be adhered to where ever possible unless otherwise noted by Main Contractor.

Each Project Manager is to ensure this Policy is adhered to at site level.

The Policy will be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure it is keeping apace with developments in the field of timber use and procurement.

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Darren Friend

17/11/20

Date