

SUSTAINABLE TIMBER PROCUREMENT POLICY

Prosol UK Limited intends, where possible, to commit to the pursuit of best practice in the purchase of sustainable timber products.

Prosol UK do not knowingly procure material from controversial or illegal harvested sources, from areas where customary or civil rights are violated, from uncertified high conservation value/old growth forest, from forests being converted to plantations, or from forests in which genetically modified trees are planted.

This means:

We will not purchase endangered species

We will give preference to timber and timber panel products which carry the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or equivalent trademark.

Where unachievable, timber should be from a sustainable source with documentation from suppliers/contractors.

If FSC (or equivalent) trademarked timber proves to be unavailable contractors will, as a second resort only, use timber and timber panel products from a know resource and will attempt to gain as much assurance as possible that the forest is well managed and will provide documentation and proof. In specifying hardwoods, preference will be given to certified hardwoods.

FSC Accreditation

FSC is a worldwide, independent, non-profit, non-governmental organization, representing environmental and social groups and the timber and forestry industry. Its aim is to generate certification of forestry activity that incorporates clear guidelines and standards covering social, environmental and economic aspects of forest management. So far, 800,000 hectares have been certified in the UK and 18 million hectares worldwide.

Recently all Forestry Commission woodland in Britain received the FSC accreditation. There are 21 countries supplying accredited timber to the UK.

Signed:



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