



Chain of Custody Compliance Policy Statement

Tilhill Forestry's harvesting operations occupy a vital link in the wood supply chain, and it recognises its responsibilities in the maintenance of an unbroken link between grower and end user.

To maintain the integrity of any forest material certified under the UK Woodland Assurance Standard, Tilhill Forestry wishes to ensure that its operations comply with the requirements of the FSC® and PEFC Chain of Custody Standards. Tilhill Forestry also wishes to satisfy its customers that any other wood that they are receiving from Tilhill Forestry can be identified as being FSC® Controlled Wood and certified as such under the FSC® Controlled Wood Standard.

Tilhill Forestry may purchase, trade or supply wood and wood fibre in the following categories: FSC® Certified (FSC® 100%, FSC® Mix), PEFC Certified (100% PEFC Certified), FSC® Controlled Wood, Controlled Material and PEFC Controlled Sources. Roundwood handled by Tilhill is either grown in the UK or sourced from suppliers within the EU/EEA which satisfies UK Plant Health Regulations and FSC® and/or PEFC requirements for Certified or Controlled Wood sourced from the relevant country. Relevant information from the harvesting system, including audit trail information, will be made available to independent third-party auditors and any other interested parties upon request.

It is the policy of Tilhill Forestry to avoid trading and sourcing wood from controversial sources including:

- Illegally harvested wood;
- Wood harvested in violation of traditional and civil rights;
- Wood harvested in forests where high conservation values are threatened by management activities;
- Wood harvested in forests being converted to plantations;
- Wood from forests in which genetically modified trees are planted.

Tilhill Forestry is committed to meeting the requirements of ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, 1998.

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