

THE VALUE OF FSC® CERTIFICATION



FURNITURE

The furniture industry is a significant user of timber, either as a raw material for manufacturing, or in components and/or finished products.

Illegal logging poses a threat to global forest resources by contributing to deforestation and causing biodiversity loss. It also impacts the well-being of workers and infringes on the livelihoods of those who depend on the forest.

A growing number of countries and regions have introduced legislation banning the trade and use of illegally harvested timber and derived products.

In addition, consumers have become more aware of environmental issues and increasingly want to know the source of products.

Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®)-certified timber can help you successfully mitigate these risks. FSC provides the assurance that timber products originate from environmentally responsible, socially beneficial and economically viable managed forests.

When it comes to forest-based products, FSC certification is the most trusted choice.



Forest Management Certification

FSC's forest management certification is awarded to organizations managing their forest operations in socially, environmentally and economically responsible ways. The management of both natural and plantation forests falls under forest management certification.

For forest operators



Chain of Custody (CoC) Certification

Any company involved in the processing or transformation of FSC-certified products (e.g. manufacturing, repackaging, or re-labelling) must obtain chain of custody certification to apply an FSC label to their products and/or sell them with an FSC claim.

For companies



Promotional License

Assurance is provided to consumers that FSC supply chain integrity is maintained at each link in the value chain. Brand owners and retailers may enter into strategic promotional partnerships with FSC.

For non-certified retailers



The Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC) is the world's most trusted sustainable forest management solution.

As the original pioneer of forest certification in 1994, FSC has been setting the gold standard for sustainable forest management.

FSC - Certified Forests have environmental, economic and social benefits.

As the world's most trusted sustainable forest management solution, FSC labelling tells customers that the materials used originate from sustainable and legal sources.



Zero deforestation

Although trees are harvested, there is no net loss of forest over time



Environmental protection

FSC certification requires biodiversity and high conservation value areas - including old growth forests - to be conserved



Community rights respected

FSC certification requires local communities near and in forests to be consulted and engaged, and their cultural rights to be respected.



Fair wage and work environment for workers

FSC certification requires training, safety and decent wages for all workers