

Product Declaration

in relation to the EU Timber Regulation (EUTR)

The sustainability of the wood raw materials used by EGGER is given the highest priority, as evidenced by the Group's accreditation to both FSC and PEFC. Our commitment to trading only in legal and sustainably produced timber is one of the company's fundamental principles.

With effect from 3rd March 2013 the requirements of the EU Timber Regulation will come into force. This legislation prohibits companies within the EU to place timber, or timber products, onto the EU market which have been illegally harvested from their country of origin.

This regulation categorises companies as either 'operators', who place timber or timber based products on the market within the EU for the first time, or 'traders', who purchase timber already placed on the market by someone else.

In accordance with these definitions EGGER (UK) Limited can, therefore, be described as a trader, and must meet the obligations of the Regulation by keeping records of;

a. the operators and traders who have supplied timber and timber products

and

b. those to whom timber products have been sold, for a minimum of 5 years

Existing accreditation to the quality standard ISO 9001, as well as FSC and PEFC, has meant that EGGER already has solid systems in place to fulfil both requirements. Customers can be assured that wood-based panel products supplied by EGGER comply fully with the requirements of the EU Timber Regulation.

While EGGER (UK) Limited can not be defined as an 'operator', it should be recognised that the requirements of the FSC Standard for Chain of Custody together with the FSC Standard for the Company Evaluation of Controlled Wood, have meant that the company already has in place a system of 'due diligence' required by those meeting that definition.

EGGER (UK) Limited holds accreditation to the FSC Standard for the Company Evaluation of Controlled Wood. The criteria of this standard are that wood materials which are not FSC certified should not be derived from:

- **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 or non-forest use**
- **Wood from forests in which genetically modified trees are planted.**

Currently EGGER (UK) Limited sources all wood raw materials from within mainland UK, and can therefore claim that the wood raw materials used in the manufacture of our product, which are not FSC certified, can be described as 'controlled wood'.

In accordance with the FSC Standard for Controlled Wood, the EGGER Group has carried out a risk assessment based on information from various international organisations, published on websites such as www.fsc-info.org and www.globalforestry.org. This risk assessment demonstrates that mainland UK can be classified as a 'low risk' source.

Should it be necessary to source timber products from outside the UK, risk assessment will be carried out on a case by case basis to ensure continued adherence to the Standard.

Material types used in the manufacture of our product are round wood, sawmill products (hack chips, sawdust, slabs and off cuts), and recycled wood fibre.

Round wood is either delivered as FSC 100% certified or meets the criteria of the FSC Standard for Controlled Wood – most of our suppliers are themselves accredited to this standard and can sell their product as Controlled Wood, or upon receipt Egger will satisfy themselves that the material meets the criteria of the Standard by ascertaining the source and applying the risk assessment described above. An average of approximately 88% by weight of round wood intake is FSC certified. A minor quantity of 100% PEFC certified round wood is also accepted.

Sawmill Products Sawdust, hack chips, slabs and off cuts which are from FSC certified sawmills can be described as FSC Mix. Upon risk assessment, sawmill products which are not FSC certified meet the criteria of the FSC Standard for Controlled Wood. An average of approximately 65% by weight of sawmill product intake is FSC certified.

Recycled Wood Fibre Post consumer reclaimed material accounts for an average of 93% by weight of the reclaimed wood intake, and therefore contributes to the input percentage according to the FSC Standard for Chain of Custody Certification

Currently approximately 40% by weight of wood fibre raw material in our product is reclaimed material, with the remainder being virgin fibre (round wood and sawmill products).

Annexe A details the tree species used in our production process. Any species outside this list would only be accepted by prior agreement, and with the relevant permissions in place.

This declaration was issued 1st December 2012 and is valid as long as there are no changes in the standards or the manufacturing conditions in the factory or the factory production control is not modified significantly.



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ANNEXE A: List of Tree Species

UK Tree Species

Common Name	Latin Name
Common Alder	<i>Alder glutinosa</i>
Ash	<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>
Common Beech	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>
Silver Birch	<i>Betula pendula</i>
Downy Birch	<i>Betula pubescens</i>
Wild Cherry	<i>Prunus avium</i>
English Elm	<i>Ulmus procera</i>
Wych Elm	<i>Ulmus glabra</i>
Field Maple	<i>Acer campestre</i>
Norway Maple	<i>Acer platanoides</i>
Hazel	<i>Corylus avellana</i>
Horse Chestnut	<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>
Hornbeam	<i>Carpinus betula</i>
Small-leaved Lime	<i>Tilia cordata</i>
Large-leaved Lime	<i>Tilia platyphyllos</i>
Common Lime	<i>Tilia x europaea</i>
Pedunculate Oak	<i>Quercus robur</i>
Sessile Oak	<i>Quercus petraea</i>
Turkey Oak	<i>Quercus cerris</i>
Native Black Poplar	<i>Populus nigra</i> var spp. <i>betulifolia</i>
Rowan	<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>
Sweet Chestnut	<i>Castanea sativa</i>
Sycamore	<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>
Goat Willow	<i>Salix caprea</i>
White Willow	<i>Salix alba</i>
Grey Willow	<i>Salix cinerea</i>
Common Yew	<i>Taxus baccata</i>

UK Tree Species (Conifers)

Common Name	Latin Name
Corsican Pine	<i>Pinus nigra</i> var. <i>maritima</i>
Douglas Fir	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>
Grand Fir	<i>Abies grandis</i>
European Larch	<i>Larix decidua</i>
Japanese Larch	<i>Larix kaempferi</i>
Lodgepole Pine	<i>Pinus contorta</i>
Norway Spruce	<i>Picea abies</i>
Nordmann Fir	<i>Abies nordmanniana</i>
Scots Pine	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>
Silver Fir	<i>Abies alba</i>
Sitka Spruce	<i>Picea sitchensis</i>
Western Hemlock	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i>
Western Redcedar	<i>Thuja plicata</i>
Lawson's Cypress	<i>Chamaecyparis lawsoniana</i>