

TIMBER PROCUREMENT POLICY STATEMENT

J Coffey Construction Ltd. in recognition of the global concern for the sustainability of natural resources, aspires to be a sustainable organisation, which recognises and adopts a responsibility during the procurement process, of obtaining materials which support sustainable forestry/ forest management; we aim to procure all timber products for both temporary and permanent works, through a supply chain that is certified with FSC® certification and who sources their timber products from FSC® certified forests.

In further recognition we aim to:

- Eliminate the use of non FSC® certified compliant timber products.
- Ensure all our timber supply chain has FSC® certification.
- Provide appropriate storage to ensure no cross contamination of FSC® certified timber products with those not compliant.
- Provide operatives with awareness training to enable them to understand the Chain of Custody (COC) process.
- Issue to Client/ Principal contractor all related FSC® certification relating to the use of timber products on all future projects.
- Maintaining our own FSC® certification (FSC-C125792) and deal with any non-conformances that might arise during external auditing

We will only accept timber from other sources if our suppliers can adequately demonstrate that FSC® Certified or recycled timber is either unavailable or that the cost is prohibitive, and that the client specification cannot be changed.

The risk categories are advised by the WWF Forest Trade Network and are broadly defined as follows from low risk (5) to higher risk (1):

5. FSC® Certified or recycled.
4. From a source that is progressing to FSC® certification, under a time-bound scheme monitored or administrated by the GFTN, TFT or other recognised body.
3. From a legal source certified under the following schemes CERFOR, CEFLOR, CSA, SFI, MTCC, PEFC and the source country is not considered to be high risk.
2. From a known legal source.
1. From an unknown/unwanted source.

Timber from risk category 1 'Unknown/Unwanted Source' will not be approved for use on any projects where J Coffey Construction conduct works. Our key supply chain partners will be engaged and required to support this statement's implementation and we will also work with our clients to ensure that the aims of this statement are delivered. Due to the introduction of the **UK Timber Regulations** (UKTR) that came into force in January 2021 post Brexit, we will ensure that we do not place an order for a product (timber) until we have been through a risk assessment process and taken any necessary measures to minimise our risk from the product. We shall also record what action we have taken to reduce our risk of using illegal timber products.

If we are buying a timber product that is already in the EU and on which due diligence has taken place, we will need to keep records from whom we bought the product from and to whom we sold it. Also noted is the ban on timber products imported from Russia & Belarus by FSC® due to the conflict in Ukraine created by Russia.

This policy statement applies to all employees and other personnel engaged in J Coffey Construction operations:

Signed: *Eddie Barrett* (Original Signed)

Date: 12/01/2024

Eddie Barrett

Group Managing Director

On behalf of J. Coffey Construction

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