



Dunelm Timber Policy

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Introduction

At Dunelm it is our intention to supply quality products which are designed, engineered and manufactured to high standards with materials that have been ethically sourced.

Aim

Dunelm wants confirmation that all timber used in its products is legally sourced. No materials are to be taken from High Conservation Value Forests, or areas of armed conflict and we will not use any species listed on the CITES lists (I, II, III – see Note).

Whilst we move towards full Chain of Custody Certification (COC), we will engage with suppliers that are already part of FSC, PEFC or V-Legal schemes, as well as encouraging our existing supplier base to use certified timbers and COC, so that we can demonstrate our commitment to control. Dunelm wants to only purchase legally sourced timber. We are actively moving towards certified materials, and sustainably sourced timber products as soon as we possibly can.

Dunelm will work with its own teams and all suppliers to achieve good diligence in the supply chain to achieve our goal of sourcing these materials legally and responsibly.

Scope

This policy applies to all Dunelm own brand products, manufactured from solid timber, timber veneers or manufactured boards (MDF, chipboard, particleboard, OSB), purchased for resale by Dunelm.

This policy currently excludes packaging materials, paper, marketing materials, facilities and non-stocked products.

The policy must be used in conjunction with all current UK, EU and international forestry management legislation and relevant import and trade regulations.

Policy

- Products must comply with the EU Timber Regulations which came into force in March 2013 (see Note)
- All suppliers of Dunelm branded products are required to complete a Bill of Materials and provide a detailed Chain of Custody for every wood fibre material used in our products.
- Dunelm will carry out a risk assessment of each timber based material based on the species and country of origin. The risk assessment will direct any following actions.

- Any FSC, PEFC, V-Legal certification claims must be supported by the correct documented evidence and forwarded to Dunelm for verification.
- All timber based materials must be verified by Dunelm before products ship.
- Due diligence testing of timber compliance will be carried out by Dunelm and 3rd parties with random sampling of paperwork and factory visits. Visit frequency will depend on volume of sales.
- Suppliers of products that are not certified (FSC, PEFC) will be actively encouraged to progress towards certification.

Note:

CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species) is an international treaty which governs the trade in species threatened with extinction.

You can visit their website at <http://www.cites.org/eng/resources/species.html> for further details.

EU Timber Regulation Guidance can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/eu-timber-regulation-guidance-for-business-and-industry>

EU Timber Regulation Commission Guidance can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/340727/Guidance_document_for_the_EUTR.pdf