

Informa Paper Sourcing Policy

Policy Aim:

To ensure that all paper used in Informa products and services is from legally harvested and well managed sources. Sources that:

- Are legal
- Are harvested using sustainable logging practices.
- Include no high conservation value forests.
- Do not promote the conversion of High conservation natural forests into plantations.
- Do not breach local indigenous rights.

Why is this important?

Informa do not want to be responsible for, or associated with, any of the unsustainable forestry practices highlighted above.

In addition, it is important that Informa is able to meet the legal requirements under the EU Timber Regulation (enforced from 3rd March 2013) and US Lacey Act (in force since 2008). These laws demand that all timber based products come from legal sources.

How we will do this?

The best way to ensure this is to use internationally recognised forest certification schemes. There is one certification schemes that we believe meets the policy requirements of both legality and sustainability:

- FSC Certification (www.fsc.org)

However, we recognise that FSC may not be available in the quantity or type of paper we require in all markets. In the absence of FSC, the PEFC scheme provides a good alternative:

- PEFC is an umbrella certification body which endorses national certification schemes including SFI, CERTFOR, CERFLOR, MTCC, ATFS¹ (www.pefc.org)

Both FSC and PEFC are internationally recognised forest certification schemes that set standards for at the forest level and, through their chain of custody systems, provide a traceability system from forest through to product.

In exceptional circumstances suppliers may not be able to reach our Policy Aim immediately. In the absence of certification (PEFC or FSC), while the suppliers move to meet the policy requirements, Informa will require suppliers to:

- provide the tree species and country of origin **for each forest source** in a paper;
- identify whether any forest source is high risk or not²;
- immediately remove any paper from the supply chain that is found to contain uncertified high risk forest sources.

Responsibilities

This applies to all Informa group companies in all countries.

¹ For a full list of PEFC endorsed schemes see: <http://www.pefc.org/resources/organizational-documents/other-documents/item/526>

² High risk tree species are those listed in the CITES Appendix I/II/III <http://www.cites.org/eng/app/appendices.shtml> . High risk countries are those listed in red on the risk tool used by the PREPS publishing initiative's - <http://prepsgroup.com/media/documents/process.pdf> / *Acona Country Forest Risk Tool* – corrected risk rating column.