

CHAIN OF CUSTODY POLICY

1 Purpose

Gunns Limited is committed to Chain of Custody certification in order to demonstrate to customers and stakeholders that wood products processed by Gunns Limited have originated from sustainably managed forests.

2 Scope

Processing and exporting sites of Gunns Forest Products and Gunns Timber Products.

3 References

- Gunns Chain of Custody Manuals
- Gunns Policies and Procedures
- Australian Forestry Certification Scheme (AFCS) Standards
- Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC) Standards
- Gunns website – www.gunns.com.au

4 Definitions

Chain of Custody: The process of tracking wood and forest products originating from sustainably managed forests through all phases of ownership, transportation, manufacturing, and delivery to customers.

5 Procedural Principles

Gunns Limited will maintain Chain of Custody certification through application of the following principles:

- Avoid trading, associating and sourcing wood or fibre directly or indirectly from activities that involve (i) illegally harvested wood or forest products; (ii) wood harvested in violation of traditional and civil rights; (iii) wood harvested from forests in which high conservation values are threatened by management activities; (iv) wood harvested from areas being converted from forests and other wooded ecosystems to plantations or non-forest use; and (v) wood from forests in which genetically modified trees are planted;
- Avoid any violation of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Core conventions, as defined in the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work;
- Ensure compliance with and commitment to the laws and regulations at the processing facilities addressing social, economic, occupational health and safety, and environmental impacts;
- Maintain systems and processes to demonstrate traceability of all forest product inputs to its processing sites across the Gunns Forest Products and Gunns Timber Products divisions;
- Ensure that sufficient training and resources are in place to implement and control the Chain of Custody system;
- Maintain a system that enables credible and valid use of logos or other certification marks on wood products;
- Ensure continuous improvement in the Chain of Custody system underpinned by regular review and revision.

The Chain of Custody system will be independently audited by third-party Certification Bodies to verify and report on performance.

6 Revision History

This document is identified as 'Chain of Custody Policy'. A new version will be issued whenever significant changes occur.

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