



## Auswest Timbers Chain of Custody Policy

Auswest Timbers is committed to environmentally, socially and economically sound business practices.

Auswest Timbers operates Chain of Custody certification systems which are complementary to the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification, Responsible Wood certification scheme and the Forest Stewardship Council Standard. These Chain of Custody systems allow Auswest Timbers to reliably trace the source of logs used to make timber products back to sustainably managed forests or controlled sources.

As part of our commitment to ethical business practice, Auswest Timbers can assure customers and shareholders that the hardwood products we sell are derived from sustainable and certified sources.

Auswest Timbers will avoid any direct or indirect involvement in:

- Dealing with wood or forest products sourced from illegal operations or unknown sources.
- Violation of traditional and human rights in forestry operations.
- Destruction of high environmental and cultural values in forestry operations.
- Significant conversion of forests to plantations or non-forest use.
- Introduction of genetically modified organisms in forestry operations.
- Violations of any of the International Labour Organisation Core Conventions.

Auswest Timbers will:

- Act fairly and honestly with our employees, suppliers and regulatory agencies.
- Develop the necessary skills of our employees.

Auswest Timbers is committed to maintaining high standards of occupational health and safety.

Auswest Timbers will always search for ways to improve its environmental, social and economic performance and we are committed to continuously improving our chain of custody systems and procedures.

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