Our Commitment and Environment Policy

Whitmore’s Timber Co. Ltd. recognises a responsibility to its customers, suppliers and staff to base its commercial activities on well managed forest resources. Accordingly the company is also committed to achieving environmental best practice throughout its activity whenever this is practical. In pursuit of economic growth and a healthy environment it is understood that these are closely linked and that ecological protection and sustainable development are the responsibility of all, including business, governments and communities.

The main board takes responsibility for the development and endorsement of this policy statement and its implementation throughout all operations. A director has been appointed to carry out the policy, to ensure that key members of staff are trained and that all employees are advised of our position. Whitmore's maintains a policy of continuous environmental improvement. Environmental performance is monitored for achievement of our objectives and an annual report will be made available on request.

The company shall maintain an FSC and PEFC Chain of Custody system in accordance to the requirements of the current standard.

Timber Sources

Whitmore’s is committed to buying all hardwood and softwood from legal and renewable sources, and will seek evidence that suppliers are in compliance with this policy. As sources of certified timber become more available the company will give preference to certified timber wherever practical and will not purchase timber where it is known to have originated from illegal sources and will not purchase any timber species prohibited under Appendix 1 of the Convention on International Trading on Endangered Species (CITES).

Recycling and Site Management

The company is committed to reduce consumption of all materials and packaging wherever possible and is committed to recycling packaging materials where practicable. All buildings and plant are designed where possible to reduce impact on the local environmental. All potential emissions are kept to a minimum, monitored on a regular basis and logged.