Wood and Pulp Policy

The supply of wood and pulp of a specified quality and quantity to all of the Group’s pulp and fiber production sites is an important part of the Lenzing Group’s core business.

The Lenzing Group is an environmentally responsible company operating as sustainably as possible.

We strive to source wood and pulp exclusively from non-controversial sources. Lenzing has its own internal due diligence systems with regional-specific assessments on the ground and relevant stakeholder engagement and we compliment this with multiple certification systems, including Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®)¹ and Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)². We give preference to FSC® when our sourcing reaches beyond Austria, Czech Republic and other Central European countries.

Controversial sources include wood deriving from:

- illegal logging or the trade in illegal wood or forest products
- destruction of high conservation values in forestry operations, including ancient and endangered forests, and endangered species habitats
- plantations established after 1994 through significant conversion of natural forests or conversions to non-forest use
- introduction of genetically modified organisms in forestry operations
- violation of traditional, community and/or human rights
- any violation of the ILO Core Conventions as defined in the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work

¹ Licence code: FSC-C041246
² Licence number: PEFC/06-33-92
In order to protect the world’s remaining ancient and endangered forests and the biodiversity and ecosystems integrity contained within these forests, Lenzing is committed to avoiding the use of wood and pulp containing wood sourced from regions such as the Canadian and Russian Boreal Forests, Coastal Temperate Rainforests, tropical forests and peatlands of Indonesia, the Amazon and West Africa.

In case Lenzing sources wood and pulp from the above-referenced regions, Lenzing strives (i) that at a minimum it be certified by the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) and (ii) to ensure that science-based conservation planning is supported from the area and (iii) to support conservation solutions that protect ancient and endangered forests.

Regular risk-assessments, implementation of key performance indicators (KPIs), audits and on-site visits as well as independent third-party certification of the sustainable forest management programs help to ensure the policy compliance and our commitment to no-deforestation.

If we discover that we are sourcing wood or pulp from controversial sources, we will first engage our suppliers to encourage consistent practices with our policy and if the response is unsatisfactory, we will eliminate it from our supply chain with a reasonable lead time.

We strive to establish and maintain long-term partnerships with our wood and pulp suppliers, and we seek to do our business personally and directly with forest owners and pulp producers. This improves our insight and control of our supply chain.

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