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, preferring suppliers participating in credible forest certification programs, in particular the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) and Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC™).

Controversial sources include wood which has been harvested:

- illegally
- from forests of high conservation value, including ancient and endangered forests, and endangered species habitats
- from plantations established after 1994 through significant conversion of natural forests or converted to non-forest use
- from forests or plantations growing genetically modified trees
- in violation of traditional, community and/or civil rights
- in violation of any of the ILO Core Conventions as defined in the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.
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, audits and on-site visits as well as independent third-party certification of the sustainable forest management programs help to ensure the policy compliance.

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 long-term partnerships with our wood and pulp suppliers, and we seek to do our business personally and directly with forest owners and pulp mills.

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