

# CALA GROUP SUSTAINABLE TIMBER POLICY



CALA takes its responsibilities seriously regarding the design and delivery of sustainable housing and is committed to specifying and purchasing timber based products sourced from sustainably managed forests and credible certification schemes.

*CALA is committed to, wherever possible when procuring timber and timber products:*

- Use suppliers with FSC or PEFC certification and Chain of Custody evidence
- CALA requires suppliers to not only hold the certification, but to work in accordance with the mechanisms set out to ensure that the chain of custody of their products is entirely traceable
- Promote to our customers and subcontractors that CALA's timber products are ethically and sustainably sourced

*CALA will not procure timber and timber products wherever possible from:*

- Natural forests which are currently being converted to other land uses or converted natural forests, unless legitimately and appropriately certificated
- Forests which are in areas of armed conflict or civil unrest where there is a direct relationship between income arising from the forest products trade and the funding of such conflicts
- Forests or forest product suppliers that do not have all the relevant national and international legislation relating to the trade in forest products
- Protected areas where harvesting operations are not complementary to responsible forest management

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