



FSC[®], SFI[®] and PEFC Chain of custody certification

Certification of your timber or timber-derived products provides independently verified assurance that the wood used originates from responsibly managed forests, with the material tracked through every stage of the process from forest to end-user.

Chain of custody certification is for companies who process, manufacture or trade in timber-derived products.

By implementing and maintaining a robust chain of custody system, companies can provide assurances to suppliers and clients that their products are sourced and produced in compliance with an ecological, social and economic standard.

Certification works through the entire supply chain to provide proof of traceability back to well-managed forests, controlled or recycled sources.

For a product to qualify for certification, all companies who take legal ownership of certified products and process, trade or

repack them, need to be certified in order to sell these products on with an FSC, SFI or PEFC claim.

What are the benefits?

Chain of custody certification demonstrates your commitment to responsible supply chain management, it also provides:

- added value to your products
- access to new markets
- compliance with legislation
- proof of traceability
- use of the FSC, SFI or PEFC trademark
- assurance to your customers that they are contributing to environmental conservation and economic stability.

BM TRADA offers certification to FSC, SFI and PEFC schemes:

FSC is an international not for profit organisation which promotes responsible stewardship of the world's forests.

SFI is an independent, non-profit organization that is solely responsible for the internationally recognized Sustainable Forestry Initiative[®] SFI[®] program.

PEFC is a global umbrella organisation for the assessment and mutual recognition of national forest certification schemes developed in a multi-stakeholder process.

How to achieve certification

01 Application and review

Complete the BM TRADA request for quotation form. The information provided will allow us to provide you with a quotation and a competent audit team.

02 Main evaluation (this is completed in two stages)

On site:

- review the chain of custody system
- review the procedures and processes covering all activities related to the chain of custody system
- evaluate whether critical control points (CCPs) have been identified and the risk of product mixing eliminated or minimized
- review the record keeping process
- evaluate all outsourced processes

- verify the company's use of the appropriate trademark for on-product labelling and off-product marketing communications and claims.

Off site:

- provide a written report on the audit findings and non-conformances that need to be addressed
- review the written report (reviewed by BM TRADA head office).

03 Certification

On completion of step two (and closure of any identified non-conformities) certification is granted by BM TRADA. You will be issued with a certificate and certification marks to demonstrate and promote your certification.

Certification is valid for five years and is maintained through a programme of annual surveillance audits and a recertification audit in the fifth year before the certificate expires.



Additional services include:

- BRC global standard food safety
- BRC global standard packaging
- RSPO palm oil supply chain
- Quality – ISO 9001
- Environmental – ISO 14001

Related training services:

- 2 Day BRC Global Standard for Food Safety Issue 6
- 2 Day Chain of Custody Internal Audit Training
- 2 Day Foundation level HACCP Course: Food Safety Plan
- Quality Management System Lead Auditor – 5 day ISO 9001:2008

Call us for a quote or to discuss your certification needs

Why BM TRADA?

Choosing BM TRADA means you are working with a major international certification body with a leading reputation in responsible sourcing and sustainable supply chain certification. Our industry expertise and the standard of our services have helped us deliver certification to businesses in 70 countries around the world.

We pride ourselves on being approachable and responsive, and on offering clear, transparent pricing with no hidden costs. Making us your certification partner means you will have a designated auditor who understands your business.



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