

The CPET Helpline service has been set up to help the public sector purchase timber and products made from wood from legal and sustainable sources, as required by government policy. This service is available to central and local government, and their direct suppliers. Government procurement officers and their suppliers can get advice on how to specify and supply legal and sustainable timber.

One of the ways to demonstrate that timber comes from legal and sustainable sources is through the supply of certified materials from certification schemes that meet UK Government requirements for assurance of timber sources. At the present time the Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC) meets UK Government requirements on legality. The Canadian Standard Association (CSA), Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) and Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) meet UK Government requirements on legal and sustainable timber.

Information on sources of certified materials is therefore important for those involved in supplying legal and sustainable timber. However CPET operates to provide impartial advice on meeting UK Government timber procurement policy. It is therefore inappropriate to provide commercial information such as recommending suppliers of certified timber. Queries regarding the availability of certified product or certified suppliers should be directed to the individual certification schemes. Contact details of the five certification schemes can be found in the following table:

| Certification scheme | Contact details  |
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