

## **Forestry Commission Policy for its purchases of forest products (August 2004)**

### **Government Policy**

The government's commitment is to :

**“actively to seek to buy timber products from sources independently validated as legal and sustainably managed, for example, those identified under independent certification schemes such as that operated by the Forest Stewardship Council”.**

Departments and Agencies are required to report each year on their timber purchases and this process is monitored by an inter-departmental group reporting to the Cabinet Sub-committee of Green Ministers ENV(G).

### **Forestry Commission Policy**

FC policy is the same :

**‘FC will actively seek to obtain timber supplies or products from sources where there is clear evidence of well-managed forests or plantations’.**

This includes products like :

Fencing and Gates

Joinery

Fittings

Recreation Furniture and Signs

Veneers.

FC policy on purchase of paper is also the same as the governments :

- **To reduce the amount of paper bought by using it more efficiently and economically.**
- **To buy 100% recycled paper, comprising at least 80% post consumer waste.**
- **To increase the quantity of paper recycled.**