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FSC is the abbreviation for Forest Stewardship Council, an international nonprofit that promotes responsible forestry. The organization certifies forests across the globe, ensuring they're managed in an environmentally sound fashion that is economically viable without creating social harm.

FSC US is based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and operates as a National Office of **FSC** International, which is based in Bonn, Germany.

The **FSC** system allows businesses and consumers to identify, purchase and use wood, paper and other forest products made with materials from well-managed forests and/or recycled sources.



FSC runs a global forest certification system with two components:

- **Forest Management**
- **Chain of Custody**

FSC Chain-of-Custody certification traces the path of products from forests through the supply chain, verifying that **FSC**-certified material is identified or kept separated from non-certified material throughout the chain.

The Chain-of-Custody process ensures the consumer that the **FSC**-certified products they purchase are coming from responsibly managed sources. For a consumer to purchase an **FSC**-certified product, every company that previously had ownership of the forest product material components of the end product would have had to be **FSC** certified.

For more information on our Chain-of-Custody, please visit our website at www.haleybros.com

Retailers must be **FSC** certified to transfer the **FSC** claim on products that are sold to building contractors or to consumers who will be reporting their purchase of **FSC**-certified material, such as for the US Green building Councils' LEED program.

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Two types of **FSC** certification are:

1. Forest owners, managers and forest management certification is a guarantee your methods and procedures meet **FSC** standards.
 - a. Businesses manufacturing or trading forest products, chain of custody certification confirms that products are examined accurately at every stage of production – from forest to shelf.

The **FSC** is guided by status and regulations. The objectives of these laws are to protect investors from securities fraud and other abuses and thereby ensure that there is investor confidence in the market.