

## Timber Sourcing Policy

We're the UK's largest integrated digital retailer and financial services provider, and we've been helping customers say yes for over 100 years.

Our purpose is to make good things easily accessible to more people. That means combining 1,900 brands our customers love, a seamless customer journey driven by data and technology, and flexible ways to pay. We recognise the need to be responsible regarding conservation of the World's forests.

We are committed to source and purchase timber products only where the supplier can verify and provide details that the timber has been obtained legally from known, well-managed forests which have been certified to credible standards.

In line with our commitment to the UK Burma Campaign - no timber will be sourced in Burma.

The scope of this policy is to cover all timber products that are sold through our websites and our stores.

We will use the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) scheme as the benchmark for independent forestry certification schemes although other schemes, including local or national initiatives may also be acceptable.

To implement our Timber Sourcing Policy we will:

- Communicate policy to our supply base and all relevant stakeholders
- Implement policy with our current supply base
- Work with our strategic suppliers to increase the amount of certified wood used in their products
- Ensure all new suppliers to us complete our Timber Sourcing Questionnaire before products are considered for selection. If, after completion of the questionnaire and further audit of their supply chain, they do not meet the requirements of our policy, then their products will be rejected
- Seek ways of working with other retailers and stakeholders on initiatives supporting responsible timber sourcing in a non-competitive way to achieve joint aims
- Set annual targets and report on performance in our annual UN report

We will continually review the level of compliance and this policy will be reviewed annually. Policy implementation is the responsibility of The Very Group Global Sourcing and QA Director