



GUIDE TO FSC[®]'S CERTIFICATE DATABASE



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VERIFICATION OF SUPPLIERS AND PURCHASE AND DELIVERY DOCUMENTATION



Navigate to the website

Go to info.fsc.org

The screenshot shows the FSC International website's public search page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for FSC INTERNATIONAL, SMALLHOLDER PORTAL, STAKEHOLDER PORTAL, NEWSROOM, RESOURCES, and EVENTS. The main header features the FSC logo and the slogan 'FORESTS FOR ALL FOREVER'. Below this, a large heading reads 'WELCOME TO THE FSC PUBLIC SEARCH'. A message states: 'We have updated the look and feel of the public search. From now on this replaces the old certificate search. This is the one stop for inquiries about certificates and their status. Updates to the data can take up to 24 hours.' A search bar is provided with the placeholder text 'Search for license code (FSC-C/FSC-P/FSC-N followed by 6 digits)' and a 'Search' button. On the left side, there is a 'PUBLIC SEARCH HOME' menu with options: Certificate Search, Project Certificate Search, Trademark Service license holder search, FM Evaluations, and Certificate Holder Login. At the bottom, there are 'Quick Links' (Become certified, Search certificates, Contact FSC, Use the FSC Logo, FSC Member List, FSC Trademark Portal, FSC Members Portal), a 'Newsletter' sign-up section with an email input field and a 'Send' button, and the 'iseal alliance member' logo. The footer contains links for HOME, CONTACT US, NEWSLETTER, CAREERS, LEGAL NOTICE, and LEGAL DISCLAIMER, along with the copyright notice: © Forest Stewardship Council® · FSC® F000100.



Find the supplier in the database

If you have a supplier's license code type it in the field and click Search (1) (and go to page 5). If you don't have their license code but supplier name or CoC code, go to the next page.

FSC License Code

FSC License Codes are used on FSC labels and promotional use of the FSC logo and trademarks. These codes follow the format FSC-C#####. Each certificate has a unique License Code assigned to it.

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Find the supplier in the database

How to find your supplier, if you don't have the license code

If you don't have a company's license code, click Certificate Search in the menu in the left side (2).

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Insert the information you have about the company

In this search view you can find your supplier by entering their certificate code or their name, depending on what information you have.

If you don't have a company's certificate code, you can search for the company using the Name field (3).


If you search by using the certificate code then choose the certification body abbreviation (capital letters) in the first box (4). In the next box you choose the right certificate type (5), and finally you enter the six digit code (6) and click Search.

If you don't manage to find the supplier in the database, then change "Valid" to "All" (7) in order to see if the supplier's certificate is suspended or terminated.

Certificate Code

FSC Certificate Codes are used on invoices and delivery documents from FSC certified companies and the codes follow the format: XXX- XXX-#####.

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License Code (FSC-C)

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- FM Evaluations
- Certificate Holder Login

OR USE THE FOLLOWING FIELDS TO SEARCH LICENSE HOLDER(S)

Organization 3

Name

Country or Area

State/Country

Show Sites/Member

Certificate 7

Status

Certificate Code

FSC Controlled Wood

CW Risk Assessment

Product 4 5 6

Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

Species



Verify the supplier's certificate information

You should now have found your supplier in the database through your search. Click on their license or certificate code to see the company's certificate information and verify the information, they have provided you.

Check that the information you have about the FSC certified supplier and product(s) from an invoice, delivery document or other sources matches the information that appears in FSC's supplier database for the supplier in question.

If you are verifying invoices and/or delivery documents, verify that the certificate code, company name and address on the document(s) corresponds to the same certificate information in the database (8). Secondly, verify that the certificate is valid (9).



CERTIFICATE

Information from 2020/05/27 - 12:20 UTC
 Certificate Code **NC-COC-000000**
 Former Certificate Code **SW-COC-000000**
 License Code **FSC-C000000**

PUBLIC SEARCH HOME

Certificate Search

Project Certificate Search

Trademark Service license holder search

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Certificate Holder Login

MAIN ADDRESS

8 Name
Address

Website

CERTIFICATE DATA

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Status **Valid**
 First Issue Date **2007-04-18**
 Last Issue Date **2019-07-24**
 Expiry Date **2024-07-23**
 Standard **FSC-STD-40-003 V2-1;FSC-STD-40-004 V3-0**

OTHER DATA

Trade Name



Verify that the product types, species and FSC output category are covered by the certificate

Thirdly you must verify that the product that is claimed as FSC on the document(s) (or that the company informs you they can deliver FSC certified) is covered by the supplier's FSC product types.

You must verify that the supplier is certified to sell that product type **(10)** with the specific claim used on the documents (or that you are told) and the species (if relevant) that the product is made of **(11)**.

PRODUCTS

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Product Type	Trade Name	Species	Primary Activity	Secondary Activity	Main Output Category
W11 Wood for construction W11.1 Doors and door frames	Doors and door frames	Fagus sylvatica L.; Hevea brasiliensis; Picea abies; Pinus radiata; Pinus spp.; Pinus sylvestris; Quercus alba; Shorea laevis Ridl.; Shorea spp.	brokers/traders with physical possession		FSC Mix
W11 Wood for construction W11.2 Windows and window frames	Windows and window frames	Picea abies; Pinus sylvestris; Quercus spp	brokers/traders with physical possession		FSC Mix
W12 Indoor furniture W12.13 Shelves	Shelves	Fagus sylvatica L.; Fraxinus excelsior; Pinus sylvestris; Quercus alba; Quercus robur	brokers/traders with physical possession		FSC Mix
W8 Wood panels W8.1 Plywood W8.1.1 Laminboard	Wood panels	Betula pendula; Pinus radiata; Pinus sylvestris	brokers/traders with physical possession	Secondary Processor	FSC Mix
W8 Wood panels W8.3 Fibreboard W8.3.2 Medium-density fibreboard (MDF)	Wood panels - MDF		brokers/traders with physical possession	Secondary Processor	FSC Mix
W12 Indoor furniture W12.11 Kitchen countertops	Worktops	Acacia spp.; Fagus sylvatica L.; Fraxinus excelsior L.; Quercus robur L.	brokers/traders with physical possession		FSC Mix;FSC 100%
W8 Wood panels W8.1 Plywood W8.1.2 Veneer plywood	Wood panels	Betula pendula; Pinus radiata; Pinus sylvestris	brokers/traders with physical possession	Secondary Processor	FSC 100%
W8 Wood panels W8.2 Particleboard W8.2.1 Melamineparticleboard	Melaminbelagte hylder og vinduesplader	Abies alba; Alnus spp.; Betula spp.; Picea spp.; Pinus spp.; Populus spp.	brokers/traders with physical possession	Secondary Processor	FSC Mix
W4 Impregnated/treated wood W4.3 Treated dimensional lumber, plywood	Impregnated/treated wood	Pinus radiata; Pinus sylvestris	brokers/traders with physical possession	Secondary Processor	FSC Mix;FSC 100%
W6 Products from planing mill W6.1 Dimensional lumber finished	Products from planing mill	Dinizia excelsa; Entandrophragma cylindricum; Entandrophragma utile; Fagus sylvatica L.; Fraxinus excelsior; Fraxinus americana; Hymenaea courbaril; Hymenolobium spp.; Larix spp.; Lophira alata; Melastroma leucorhizon; Melastroma leucorhizon; Pinus radiata; Quercus	brokers/traders with physical possession	Secondary Processor	FSC Mix;FSC 100%

SEARCHING FOR FSC CERTIFIED SUPPLIERS




Use the database to find suppliers you know the name of

Choose search criteria

Info.fsc.org (certificate search) can be used to search for FSC certified suppliers and see what products they potentially can supply with a FSC claim.

You can choose to search for a specific company name by typing it in the field Name in the Organization section (1).

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Organization

Name ? Legal name of the organization

Country or Area ?

State/Country ?

Show Sites/Member ?

Certificate

Status ?

Certificate Code ?

FSC Controlled Wood ?

CW Risk Assessment ?

Product

Level 1 ?

Level 2 ?

Level 3 ?

Species ?



Use the database to find a supplier through filters


You can also search for suppliers of FSC certified products by using one or more search criteria.

For instance you can choose a specific country, type in a region (2), search for suppliers of FSC Controlled Wood (3), search for Forest Management or CoC certificates (4), search for generic product types (level 1, 2 or 3) (5) and type in a species (scientific name) (6).

If you don't want to see all sites or members of Multi-site and Group certificates remove the check mark which is typed in per default (7).

Be aware that the certificate status criteria (suspended, terminated, valid, all) is "valid" per default (8).

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Show Sites/Member (7)

Certificate

Status (8)

Certificate Code (3)

FSC Controlled Wood (4)

CW Risk Assessment (4)

Product

Level 1 (5)

Level 2 (5)

Level 3 (5)

Species (6)