

## Paper & Board Sourcing Policy

It is the policy of Rapid Action Packaging UK & R.A.Pacaisti Teo Ireland (RAP):-

- To operate and achieve good environmental practices. RAP is committed to protecting the environment and continual improvement of environmental performances by demonstration of the purchases and use of sustainable managed resources, this is achieved by maintaining and complying with FSC® and PEFC® Chain of Custody requirements.
- A Chain of Custody (COC) Procedure Manual has been developed and implemented based on the FSC® and PEFC® chain of custody for promoting good forest management:
  - to serve the needs of RAP
  - to enable us to assure our customers of our commitment to the requirements of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC®) and Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC®) standards.
- RAP is certified under the FSC® COC system to purchase FSC® 100%, Mix and Recycled paper and board for conversion to printed products and the sale of FSC®, 100%, Mix and Recycled printed products using the Transfer System.
- RAP is certified under the PEFC® COC system to purchase paper / board for conversion to printed products and the sale to customers from the Physical Separation method.
- Where RAP purchases board that does not require full audit trail COC accreditation (and so cannot display the logo) it is nevertheless obtained in a controlled manner in line with our forest accountability system which requires:
  - purchase from an approved suppliers list only
  - confirmation of managed forest sources (even if not specifically tracked)
  - compliance with EC995\_2010 for any timber based products sourced from outside Europe to confirm they are neither from endangered nor illegal sources

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